Rooney, Francis Ros-Lehtinen Ross Rutherford Scalise Tiberi Webster (FL)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BARTON) (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining.

□ 1328

So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

TRIBUTE TO NADEAM ELSHAMI

(Ms. PELOSI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I proudly rise to pay tribute to a cherished member of my staff, my chief of staff, Nadeam Elshami.

My office, my colleagues, indeed, the entire Democratic Caucus, has benefited from the sharp strategic insight, steady judgment, and exceptional character and integrity of Nadeam Elshami.

Born in Nashville, spent some time in Egypt, earning his college degree in Indiana, Nadeam followed the love of his life, Stacy, to Washington, D.C.

Here, 25 years ago, Nadeam found a job in the Senate mailroom. Now, he departs as a trusted senior adviser who holds one of the top positions on Capitol Hill, who holds the respect of Members on both sides of the aisle, on both sides of the Capitol, and, indeed, even down Pennsylvania Avenue.

Nadeam has been an invaluable asset in every office he has served: for Senator Barbara Boxer; for Assistant Democratic Leader DICK DURBIN; proudly, in our House, for Congresswoman JAN SCHAKOWSKY; and for me, in my office, where he has worked for 10 years

We are deeply grateful for Nadeam's wise counsel, his skill as a manager, and his grace under pressure in some of the most high-stakes matters to come before the Congress and the American people. He has played a vital role in improving the lives of America's working families. He has distinguished himself with the respect that Members have for his judgment, discretion, and ability.

In conclusion, Nadeam's exceptional service entailed sacrifice, not only from him, but from his beautiful family. We are especially grateful to Nadeam for the patience, love, and support of his wife, Stacy, who is here with us today. Thank you, Stacy. I hope that all the spouses of our staff recognize that recognition for Stacy, which applies to them, as well. And his children, Jena, Noah, and Layla.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to please join me in thanking my chief of staff, a man who has served the United States Congress with honor and distinction for more than 25 years: Nadeam Elshami.

TRIBUTE TO NADEAM ELSHAMI

(Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, it is not often that I say this, but I rise today to agree wholeheartedly with the Democratic leader.

I know that what we do in this Chamber is often portrayed as just nothing but bitterly partisan. But in reality, making this place work, making this institution work, it really actually does depend on cooperation across the aisle every day: between our leaders, between our floor teams, and especially between our chiefs of staff.

I can tell you that Nadeam has always been first class. He can be as formidable as they come, but he is always fair, and he is always straightforward. His word is good, and that really is everything. It sets a tone of civility as we go about trying to address the big pressing issues of the day.

Mr. Speaker, I would say, especially to the staff, the example that Nadeam sets goes far beyond being the chief of staff. Here is a guy who started in the mailroom in the United States Senate and rose to one of the top positions in all of Congress. It is an incredible rise.

To put 25 years here certainly takes a deep commitment to public service. It takes a willingness to be in the arena and take everything that comes with that. It takes passing over endless great opportunities, even as you watch people around you move on. And, most of all, it takes the love and support of a beautiful family. Stacy, thank you for being here today. None of us would be here without the sacrifices that our loved ones make so we can serve and do good.

Nadeam, I just want you to know, from this side of the aisle, you will leave here with the respect of your colleagues, you will leave here with the respect of the Members, and, what is most impressive, you will leave here even with respect from the media.

On behalf of the whole House, I want to congratulate you and thank you for your 25 years to the Congress. You have devoted yourself to making this institution, and this country, better. Thank you so much, and we wish you every bit of success in the future. Thank you, Nadeam.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT. 2018

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 504 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 3354.

Will the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HULTGREN) kindly resume the chair.

□ 1336

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole

House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3354) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes, with Mr. HULTGREN (Acting Chair) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Acting CHAIR. When the Committee of the Whole rose on Tuesday, September 12, 2017, a request for a recorded vote on amendment No. 187 printed in House Report 115–297, offered by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. GIBBS), had been postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments printed in House Report 115–297 on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

Amendment No. 73 by Mr. MULLIN of Oklahoma.

Amendment No. 74 by Mr. MULLIN of Oklahoma.

Amendment No. 75 by Mr. Polis of Colorado.

Amendment No. 76 by Mr. Polis of Colorado.

Amendment No. 77 by Mr. NORMAN of South Carolina.

The Chair will reduce to 2 minutes the time for any electronic vote in this series.

AMENDMENT NO. 73 OFFERED BY MR. MULLIN

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. MULLIN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 218, noes 195, not voting 20. as follows:

[Roll No. 488] AYES—218

Abraham Brat Aderholt Brooks (AL) Allen Brooks (IN) Amash Buchanan Amodei Buck Arrington Bucshon Bahin Budd Bacon Burgess Banks (IN) Byrne Barletta. Calvert. Carter (GA) Barr Barton Bergman Chabot Cheney Biggs Bilirakis Coffman Bishop (MI) Cole Collins (GA) Bishop (UT) Black Collins (NY) Blackburn Comer Comstock Blum Conaway Bost Brady (TX) Cook

Cramer Crawford Cuellar Culberson Davidson Davis, Rodney Denham Dent DeSantis Des Jarlais Donovan Duffy Duncan (SC) Duncan (TN) Dunn Emmer Estes (KS) Farenthold Ferguson Fleischmann Flores Fortenberry

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Visclosky

Wasserman

Schultz

Wilson (FL)

Yarmuth

Waters, Maxine

Vela

Walz

Welch

Swalwell (CA)

Thompson (CA)

Thompson (MS)

Foxx Lamborn Franks (AZ) Lance Frelinghuysen Latta Gaetz Lewis (MN) Gallagher LoBiondo Gianforte Long Gibbs Love Gohmert Lucas Gonzalez (TX) Luetkemeyer Goodlatte MacArthur Gosar Marchant Gowdy Marino Marshall Granger Graves (GA) Massie Graves (LA) McCarthy Griffith McCaul Grothman McClintock McHenry Guthrie McKinley Handel Harper McMorris Harris Hartzler McSallv Hensarling Herrera Beutler Messer Mitchell Hice, Jody B. Higgins (LA) Moolenaar Mooney (WV) Hill Holding Mullin Hollingsworth Murphy (PA) Hudson Newhouse Huizenga Noem Hultgren Norman Hunter Nunes Hurd Olson Palazzo Issa Jenkins (KS) Palmer Jenkins (WV) Paulsen Johnson (LA) Pearce Johnson (OH) Perry Johnson, Sam Jones Pittenger Jordan Poliquin Joyce (OH) Ratcliffe Kelly (MS) Reed Kelly (PA) Renacci King (IA) Rice (SC) Roby Roe (TN) King (NY) Kinzinger Kustoff (TN) Rogers (AL) Labrador Rogers (KY) Rohrabacher LaHood Rokita LaMalfa

Rodgers

Meadows

Peterson

Rooney, Thomas Roskam Rothfus Rouzer Royce (CA) Russell Rutherford Schweikert Scott, Austin Sensenbrenner Sessions Shimkus Shuster Simpson Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (TX) Smucker Stewart Stivers Taylor Tennev Thompson (PA) Thornberry Tipton Trott Turner Upton Valadao Wagner Walberg Walden Walker Walorski Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack Woodall Yoder Yoho Young (AK) Young (IA)

NOES-195

DelBene

Demings

Deutch

Dingell

Doggett

Ellison

Engel

Eshoo

Evans

Faso

Foster

Fudge

Gabbard

Gallego

Gomez

Heck

Himes

Hoyer

Huffman

Jayapal

Jeffries

Kaptur

Katko

Keating

Kelly (IL)

Kennedy

Jackson Lee

Johnson (GA)

Johnson, E. B.

Adams Aguilar Barragán Bass Beatty Bera Rever Bishop (GA) Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Bonamici Boyle, Brendan F. Brady (PA) Brown (MD) Brownley (CA) Bustos Butterfield Capuano Carbajal Cárdenas Carson (IN) Cartwright Castro (TX) Chu, Judy Cicilline Clark (MA) Clarke (NY) Clay Cleaver Cohen Connolly Convers Cooper Correa Costello (PA) Courtney Crist Crowley Cummings Davis (CA)

Davis, Danny

DeFazio

DeGette

Delaney

Khanna. Kihuen DeSaulnier Kildee Kilmer Kind Knight Dovle Michael Kuster (NH) Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Espaillat Lawrence Esty (CT) Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Fitzpatrick Lipinski Frankel (FL) Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Garamendi Gottheimer Green, Al Lvnch Green, Gene Maloney Carolyn B. Grijalya. Gutiérrez Hanabusa Mast Matsui Hastings McCollum Higgins (NY) McGovern

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Zeldin Krishnamoorthi Lujan Grisham, Luján, Ben Ray Maloney, Sean McNerney Meehan Meeks Meng Moore Moulton Murphy (FL)

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Aderholt

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Babin

Bacon

Barr

Barton

Bilirakis

Biggs

Blum

Bost

Brat

Buck

Bucshon

Barletta

Ryan (OH) O'Rourke Pallone Sánchez Panetta Sanford Pascrell Sarbanes Schakowsky Payne Pelosi Schiff Perlmutter Schneider Peters Schrader Pingree Scott (VA) Scott, David Pocan Polis Serrano Sewell (AL) Price (NC) Shea-Porter Quigley Sherman Raskin Reichert Sinema. Rice (NY) Sires Richmond Slaughter Rosen Smith (NJ) Roybal-Allard Smith (WA) Ruiz Ruppersberger Speier Stefanik Rush

NOT VOTING-20

Bridenstine Garrett Rooney, Francis Castor (FL) Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Clyburn Lawson (FL) Ross Costa Loudermilk Scalise Curbelo (FL) McEachin Tiberi Poe (TX) DeLauro Watson Coleman Diaz-Balart Posev

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1341

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 74 OFFERED BY MR. MULLIN

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the Oklahoma gentleman from MULLIN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate The amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—aves 225, noes 186. not voting 22, as follows:

[Roll No. 489]

AYES-225

Budd Duffy Burgess Duncan (SC) Byrne Duncan (TN) Calvert Dunn Carter (GA) Emmer Estes (KS) Arrington Carter (TX) Chabot Farenthold Cheney Ferguson Banks (IN) Coffman Fleischmann Flores Cole Collins (GA) Fortenberry Collins (NY) Foxx Franks (AZ) Comer Comstock Frelinghuysen Bishop (MI) Conaway Gaetz Gallagher Bishop (UT) Cook Black Blackburn Cramer Gianforte Crawford Gibbs Cuellar Gohmert Gonzalez (TX) Goodlatte Culberson Brady (TX) Davidson Davis, Rodney Gosar Brooks (AL) Denham Gowdy Brooks (IN) Granger Dent Buchanan DeSantis Graves (GA) DesJarlais Graves (LA) Green, Gene Donovan

Griffith Grothman Guthrie Handel Harper Harris Hartzler Hensarling Herrera Beutler Hice, Jody B. Higgins (LA) Hill Holding Hollingsworth Hudson Huizenga Hultgren Hunter Hurd Jenkins (KS) Jenkins (WV) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson, Sam Jones Jordan Joyce (OH) Katko Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) King (IA) King (NY) Kinzinger Knight Kustoff (TN) Labrador LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Lance Latta Lewis (MN) LoBiondo Long Love Lucas Luetkemeyer MacArthur

Adams

Bass

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Beyer

Bera.

Aguilar

Barragán

Bergman

Blumenauer

Bonamici

Brady (PA)

Brown (MD)

Butterfield

Capuano

Carbajal

Cárdenas

Carson (IN)

Cartwright

Chu, Judy

Clark (MA)

Clarke (NY)

Cicilline

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Cleaver

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Conyers

Cooper

Correa

Crist

Courtney

Crowley

Cummings

Davis (CA)

DeFazio

DeGette

Delaney

DelBene

Demings

DeSaulnier

Davis, Danny

Costello (PA)

Cohen

Castro (TX)

Bustos

Brownley (CA)

Blunt Rochester

Boyle, Brendan

Marchant Marino Marshall Massie Mast McCarthy McCaul McClintock McHenry McKinley McMorris Rodgers McSally Meadows Meehan Messer Mitchell Moolenaar Mooney (WV) Mullin Murphy (PA) Newhouse Noem Norman Nunes Olson Palazzo Palmer Paulsen Pearce Perry Peterson Pittenger Poliquin Ratcliffe Reed Reichert Renacci Rice (SC) Roby Roe (TN) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rohrabacher Rokita Rooney, Thomas J. Roskam Rothfus

NOES-186

Deutch Dingell Doggett Doyle, Michael Ellison Engel Eshoo Espaillat Esty (CT) Evans Faso Fitzpatrick Foster Frankel (FL) Fudge Gabbard Gallego Garamendi Gomez Gottheimer Green, Al Grijalya Gutiérrez Hanabusa Hastings Heck Higgins (NY) Himes Huffman Jackson Lee Javapal Jeffries Johnson (GA) Johnson, E. B. Kaptur Keating Kelly (IL) Kennedy Khanna Kihuen Kildee Kilmer Kind Krishnamoorthi Kuster (NH) Langevin Larsen (WA)

Rouzer Royce (CA) Russell Rutherford Sanford Schweikert Scott, Austin Sensenbrenner Sessions Shimkus Shuster Simpson Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Smucker Stewart Stivers Taylor Tenney Thompson (PA) Thornberry Tipton Trott Turner Upton Valadao Wagner Walberg Walden Walker Walorski Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack Woodall Yoder Yoho Young (AK) Young (IA)

Larson (CT) Lawrence Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Lipinski Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Lujan Grisham, Luján, Ben Ray Lynch Maloney Carolyn B. Maloney, Sean Matsui McCollum McGovern

Zeldin

McNerney Meeks Meng Moore Moulton Murphy (FL) Nadler Napolitano Neal Nolan Norcross O'Halleran O'Rourke Pallone Panetta Pascrell Pavne Pelosi Perlmutter Peters Pingree Pocan Polis Price (NC) Quigley Raskin Rice (NY)

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—HOUSE Murphy (FL)

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Richmond Rosen Roybal-Allard Ruiz Ruppersberger Rush Ryan (OH) Sánchez Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schneider Schrader Thompson (CA) Scott, David

Serrano

Sewell (AL) Shea-Porter Sherman Sinema. Sires Slaughter Smith (WA) Soto Speier Stefanik Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano

Tonko Torres Tsongas Vargas Veasey Vela. Velázquez Visclosky Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Welch Wilson (FL)

Thompson (MS) Yarmuth Titus NOT VOTING-22

Garrett Bishop (GA) Graves (MO) Bridenstine Castor (FL) Hoyer Lawson (FL) Clyburn Loudermilk Costa Curbelo (FL) McEachin DeLauro Poe (TX) Diaz-Balart Posev

Rooney, Francis Ros-Lehtinen Ross Scalise Tiberi Watson Coleman

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

$\sqcap 1345$

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 75 OFFERED BY MR. POLIS

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. Polis) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate The amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 201, noes 212, not voting 20, as follows:

[Roll No. 490]

AYES-201 Adams Connolly Foster Frankel (FL) Aguilar Conyers Cooper Barragán Fudge Gabbard Bass Correa Beatty Costello (PA) Gallego Garamendi Bera Courtney Beyer Crist Gomez Bishop (GA) Gonzalez (TX) Crowley Cuellar Gottheimer Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Cummings Green, Al Bonamici Davis (CA) Green, Gene Boyle, Brendan Davis, Danny Grijalva DeFazio Gutiérrez Brady (PA) DeGette Hanabusa Hastings Brown (MD) Delaney Brownley (CA) DelBene Heck Higgins (NY) Bustos Demings Butterfield Dent Himes Capuano DeSaulnier Hoyer Carbajal Deutch Huffman Cárdenas Dingell Jackson Lee Carson (IN) Doggett Jayapal Doyle, Michael Cartwright Jeffries Johnson (GA) Castro (TX) Ellison Chu, Judy Johnson, E. B. Cicilline Engel Kaptur Clark (MA) Eshoo Keating Clarke (NY) Espaillat Esty (CT) Kelly (IL) Kennedy Clay Cleaver Evans Khanna Fitzpatrick Cohen Kihuen Conaway Fortenberry Kildee

Kilmer Kind Krishnamoorthi Kuster (NH) Lance Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Lawrence Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu Ted Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Lujan Grisham, Μ Luján, Ben Ray Lynch MacArthur Malonev. Carolyn B. Maloney, Sean Mast Matsui McCollum McGovern

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Barr

Barton

Biggs

Black

Blum

Bost Brady (TX)

Brat

Buck

Budd

Bergman

Bilirakis

Bishop (MI)

Bishop (UT)

Blackburn

Brooks (AL)

Brooks (IN)

Buchanan

Bucshon

Burgess

Byrne

Calvert

Chabot

Chenev

Cole

Comer

Cook

Cramer

Crawford

Culberson

Davidson

Denham

DeSantis

Donovan

Duffy

Dunn

Faso

Emmer Estes (KS)

Des Jarlais

Duncan (SC)

Duncan (TN)

Farenthold

Long

Davis, Rodney

Comstock

Coffman

Carter (GA)

Carter (TX)

Collins (GA)

Collins (NY)

Arrington

Banks (IN)

Barletta

O'Halleran O'Rourke Pallone Panetta. Pascrell Payne Pelosi Perlmutter Pingree Pocan Poliquin Polis Price (NC) Quigley Raskin Rice (NY) Richmond Rosen Roybal-Allard Ruppersberger Rush Ryan (OH) Sánchez Sanford Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schneider Scott (VA) Scott, David

NOES-212

Ferguson Love Fleischmann Lucas Luetkemeyer Flores Foxx Marchant Franks (AZ) Marino Marshall Frelinghuysen Gaetz Massie Gallagher McCarthy Gianforte McClintock Gibbs Gohmert McHenry Goodlatte McKinley Gosar McMorris Gowdy Rodgers Granger McSally Graves (GA) Meadows Graves (LA) Messer Griffith Mitchell Grothman Moolenaar Guthrie Handel Mullin Harper Newhouse Harris Hartzler Noem Hensarling Norman Herrera Beutler Nunes Hice, Jody B. Olson Higgins (LA) Palazzo Hill Palmer Holding Paulsen Hollingsworth Pearce Hudson Perry Huizenga. Peters Hultgren Peterson Hunter Pittenger Hurd Ratcliffe Reed Issa Jenkins (KS) Reichert Jenkins (WV) Renacci Johnson (LA) Rice (SC) Johnson (OH) Roby Roe (TN) Johnson, Sam Jones Jordan Joyce (OH) Katko Rokita Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) J. Roskam King (IA) King (NY) Rothfus Kinzinger Rouzer Royce (CA) Knight Kustoff (TN) Russell Rutherford Labrador LaHood Schrader LaMalfa Schweikert Lamborn Latta Lewis (MN) Sessions

Sewell (AL) Shea-Porter Sherman Sinema Sires Slaughter Smith (NJ) Smith (WA) Soto Speier Stefanik Stivers Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Tipton Titus Tonko Torres Tsongas Unton Vargas Veasey Vela. Velázquez Visclosky Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Welch

Serrano

Wilson (FL) Yarmuth

Mooney (WV) Murphy (PA) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rohrabacher Rooney, Thomas Scott, Austin Sensenbrenner

Shimkus

Williams Turner Shuster Simpson Valadao Wilson (SC) Smith (MO) Wagner Wittman Smith (NE) Walberg Womack Smith (TX) Walden Woodall Smucker Walker Yoder Stewart Walorski Yoho Walters, Mimi Taylor Young (AK) Tennev Weber (TX) Young (IA) Thompson (PA) Webster (FL) Zeldin Thornberry Wenstrup Trott. Westerman

NOT VOTING-

Bridenstine Garrett Rooney, Francis Castor (FL) Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Clyburn Lawson (FL) Ross Costa Loudermilk Scalise Curbelo (FL) McEachin Tiberi Poe (TX) DeLauro Watson Coleman Diaz-Balart

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1351

RICHMOND. Messrs. TAKANO. NOLAN, and TIPTON changed their votes from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 76 OFFERED BY MR. POLIS

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. Polis) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amend-

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 198, noes 212, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 491]

AYES-198

Conyers Adams Fudge Aguilar Cooper Gabbard Barragán Gallego Correa Bass Costello (PA) Garamendi Beatty Courtney Gianforte Bera Crist Gomez Beyer Crowley Gottheimer Bishop (GA) Cuellar Green, Al Green, Gene Blumenauer Cummings Blunt Rochester Davis (CA) Grijalva Bonamici Davis Danny Gutiérrez Boyle, Brendan DeFazio Hanabusa Hastings DeGette Brady (PA) Delanev Heck Brooks (IN) DelBene Higgins (NY) Brown (MD) Demings Himes Brownley (CA) DeSaulnier Hover Bustos Huffman Deutch Butterfield Dingell Jackson Lee Capuano Doggett Javapal Carbajal Doyle, Michael Jeffries Cárdenas Johnson (GA) Dunn Carson (IN) Johnson, E. B. Cartwright Ellison Jones Castro (TX) Engel Kaptur Chu, Judy Eshoo Katko Cicilline Espaillat Keating Clark (MA) Esty (CT) Kelly (IL) Clarke (NY) Evans Kennedy Fitzpatrick Clay Khanna Cleaver Fortenberry Kihuen Cohen Kildee Foster

Frankel (FL)

Connolly

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Franks (AZ)

Frelinghuysen

Foxx

Gaetz

Gibbs

Gosar

Gowdy

Granger

Griffith

Guthrie

Handel

Harper

Harris

Hill

Holding

Huizenga

Hultgren

Hunter

Hurd

Hartzler

Hensarling

Herrera Beutler

Hice, Jody B.

Higgins (LA)

Hollingsworth

Jenkins (KS)

Jenkins (WV)

Johnson (LA)

Johnson (OH)

Johnson, Sam

Joyce (OH)

Kelly (MS)

Kelly (PA)

King (IA)

King (NY)

Kinzinger

Labrador

LaHood

LaMalfa

Latta

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Love

Lucas

Lamborn

Lewis (MN)

Luetkemeyer

MacArthur

Marchant

Marshall

Marino

Massie

Flores

Smith (NE)

Smith (NJ) Smith (TX)

Smucker

Stewart

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Walden Wittman Taylor Tenney Walker Womack Thompson (PA) Walorski Woodall Walters, Mimi Thornberry Yoder Weber (TX) Trott Yoho Turner Webster (FL) Young (AK) Upton Wenstrup Young (IA) Westerman Valadao Zeldin Wagner Williams Wilson (SC) Walberg

NOT VOTING-23

Bridenstine Garrett Posey Gonzalez (TX) Rooney, Francis Castor (FL) Clyburn Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Comstock Hudson Ross Lawson (FL) Costa Scalise Curbelo (FL) Loudermilk Tiberi DeLauro McEachin Watson Coleman Diaz-Balart Poe (TX)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

\Box 1354

So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced

as above recorded.

Stated against:

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Chair, I was unavoidably detained and missed a vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall

AMENDMENT NO. 77 OFFERED BY MR. NORMAN

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. NORMAN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk The will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 151, noes 260, not voting 22, as follows:

[Roll No. 492]

AYES-151

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR
The Acting CHAIR (during the vote).
There is 1 minute remaining.

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So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Chair, I mistakenly cast a "no" vote on rollcall vote 492. While I am counted as a "no" vote, I intended to vote "ves" on the amendment.

VACATING DEMAND FOR RECORDED VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 175 OFFERED BY MR. MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Mr. COLE. Mr. Chairman, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw my request for a recorded vote on amendment No. 175 printed in House Report 115–297 to the end that the Chair put the question de novo.

The Acting CHAIR (Mr. McCLINTOCK). The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oklahoma?

There was no objection.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. Murphy).

The amendment was agreed to.

VACATING DEMAND FOR RECORDED VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 176 OFFERED BY MR. MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA

Mr. COLE. Mr. Chairman, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw my request for a recorded vote on amendment No. 176 printed in House Report 115–297 to the end that the Chair put the question de novo.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oklahoma?

There was no objection.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. Murphy).

The amendment was agreed to.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC NO. 5 OFFERED BY MR. GRAVES OF GEORGIA

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, pursuant to section 3 of House

Resolution 504, and as the designee of Chairman Frelinghuysen, I rise to offer en bloc No. 5 as part of the consideration of division D of H.R. 3354. The list of amendments included in the en bloc is at the desk and has been agreed to by both sides.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendments en bloc.

Amendments en bloc No. 5 consisting of amendment Nos. 194, 197, 202, 209, 210, 214, 215, 216, 217, 219, 220, and 224 printed in House Report 115–297, offered by Mr. Graves of Georgia:

AMENDMENT NO. 194 OFFERED BY MS. KUSTER OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Page 383, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$874,000)".

Page 385 line 22 after the dollar amount

Page 385, line 22, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$6,028,000)".

Page 421, line 4, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$6,902,000)".

Page 424, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$6,902,000)".

Page 424, line 8, after the dollar amount,

insert "(reduced by \$6,902,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 197 OFFERED BY MRS. MURPHY

OF FLORIDA

Page 443, line 5, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

Page 447, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 202 OFFERED BY MR. SOTO OF FLORIDA

Page 360, line 4, insert "(increased by 1,000,000)" before "shall".

AMENDMENT NO. 209 OFFERED BY MR. CARTWRIGHT OF PENNSYLVANIA

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. 1104. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used to plan for, begin, continue, complete, process, or approve a public-private competition under the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-76.

AMENDMENT NO. 210 OFFERED BY MR. KUSTOFF OF TENNESSEE

Page 384, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$10,000,000)".

Page 421, line 4, after the dollar amount,

insert "(reduced by \$10,000,000)".
Page 424, line 4, after the dollar amount,

insert ''(reduced by \$10,000,000)''.
AMENDMENT NO. 214 OFFERED BY MR. SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS
Page 348, line 18, after the dollar amount,

insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

Page 443, line 5, after the dollar amount,

insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

Page 447, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$4,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 215 OFFERED BY MR. COURTNEY
OF CONNECTICUT

Page 361, line 17, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by 1,000,000) (increased by 1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 216 OFFERED BY MS. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM OF NEW MEXICO

Page 446, line 17, after the first dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

Page 447, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 217 OFFERED BY MRS.

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insert "(increased by \$5,000,000)".

Page 421, line 4, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

Page 424, line 4, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 219 OFFERED BY MR. DENHAM OF CALIFORNIA

Page 428, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

Page 443, line 5, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 220 OFFERED BY MS. GABBARD OF HAWAII

Page 356, line 21, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

Page 358, line 1, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$1,000,000)".

Page 428, line 24, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

AMENDMENT NO. 224 OFFERED BY MS. VELÁZQUEZ OF NEW YORK

Page 348, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$3,000,000)".

Page 394, line 2, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,000,000)".

Page 426, line 17, after the first dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

Page 426, line 19, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$2,000,000)".

Page 447, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$10,000,000)".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GRAVES) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. QUIGLEY) each will control 10 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Georgia.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

From the beginning here, let me just thank the ranking member, Mr. QUIGLEY, for his good work over the last several months as we have worked together as a team to try to come up with a product that everyone would be pleased with, and also Mrs. Lowey, the ranking member, as well.

But I have to give credit to our leadership. They have decided to go big this year. They have had faith in Chairman FRELINGHUYSEN and our committee members just to get the job done. By the end of this week, this House will be the first Republican majority since 2004 to pass all 12 appropriations bills on time.

Now, this bill is certainly true to its name and it is also true to our principles. We make America safe by funding our military and securing our borders. We are making America prosperous by restoring financial freedom so all Americans can earn a living and achieve their own dreams.

Now I will say something obvious, Mr. Chairman. America entrusted our party with the White House and both Houses of Congress in this last election. Take a look at this package. These are policies that we have been elected to pass. This is the U.S. House saying: We hear you, and we are with you, and we are going to get the job done.

So I want to thank Chairman FRELINGHUYSEN and the subcommittee chairs—all have worked hard over the last several months—and their committee staff for going big and getting this package to the floor as we finish it up here this evening.

It is also important to thank my subcommittee and their personal staff as well. I want to thank them for the many hours of work, the weekends, the late nights and the holidays that have brought us to this moment. I want to thank our clerk, Dena Baron; and Marybeth and Ariana; Brad Allen, who is in our Financial Services Office; and until a few days ago, when a great opportunity took her away from us, Kelly Hitchcock, who has been in our office as well.

And then, of course, my personal office, we have John Donnelly, Jason Murphy, and Sam Mahler, who have worked very diligently, Mr. Chairman, to bring us to this point on this evening.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in support of this amendment. I appreciate the chairman's inclusion of amendments from Democratic Members. I am particularly pleased to see amendments increasing funds for small-business programs that support investments directly into our communities.

Specifically, this amendment boosts funding by a total of \$20 million for entrepreneurial development grants. In addition, this package provides increased funding for the Tax Counseling for the Elderly program at the IRS, ensuring that more elderly taxpayers receive efficient and quality tax assistance. It also boosts funding for the Community Development Financial Institution Fund for Native Communities programs.

Another especially effective and much-needed program in this bill is the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Act. This amendment provides an additional \$15 million to the amount provided in the underlying bill.

The Drug-Free Communities program, also critically important, benefits from a funding increase.

These are Federal investments that matter, and I support them all.

I would be remiss, however, if I did not point out that some of the offsets relied upon in this en bloc give me pause. Due to the irresponsibly low funding level allocated in the Financial Services bill, it is, frankly, not possible to find pay-fors that will not cause damage elsewhere in the bill. So I look forward to working with my colleagues to find a way to increase the total resources available for this bill as we move forward in the process.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from California (Mr. DENHAM), who has worked hard on this amendment and has a portion of the amendment he would like to discuss.

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of this en bloc package which includes my amendments to the Financial Services division of this bill.

Mr. Chair, my amendment supports the efficient implementation of the Federal Assets Sale and Transfer Act. This is the act that I authored that was signed into law last year that simply puts in place a board to manage, to liquidate, to identify unneeded and vacant properties.

There is an opportunity we have today to sell off the things that we don't need: properties that have been sitting vacant for years, properties that are costing us millions and millions and billions across the country. There is an opportunity for us not only to sell these off and bring in the muchneeded revenue to start building roads, bridges, and put towards our infrastructure package, but also to get them redeveloped, rebuilding communities and putting people back to work.

Now, what we need right now is to get this board put into place, and congressional leadership will make recommendations to the President on their board. We need the Senate to confirm the chairperson of the board, and, finally, we need an executive director and a staff to help vet these high-value properties and push the reluctant agencies that don't want to get rid of these properties to actually liquidate the things that they don't need.

It is time to put this board in place, and this en bloc amendment will help us to do so. This will help us to build infrastructure across the country and sell off the things that we don't need.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. Schneider).

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Mr. Chairman, I rise today in support of my amendment which is included in this en bloc package. This amendment would increase funding for the Small Business Administration Entrepreneurial Development programs by \$4 million, with the increase intended to support entrepreneurship education.

Our entrepreneurs and small-business owners form the foundation of the American economy. Entrepreneurs with inspired ideas benefit from the educational resources and information that help them convert those ideas into thriving businesses. Entrepreneurship education within the SBA provides resources such as growth assistance, financial literacy education, and basic information for aspiring entrepreneurs.

We in Congress have a responsibility to ensure that Americans, young and old, with the entrepreneurial spirit and dedication to succeed have access to lessons and resources that will help them succeed. This amendment will help our small businesses to prosper and, ultimately, create jobs.

I urge my colleagues to support this amendment to continue to ensure that the United States remains the best place in the world to start and grow a business.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time. Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. COURTNEY).

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of the en bloc amendment which contains an amendment offered by myself and the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. LARSON), which

directs that funding at the Department of the Treasury shall be used to develop a revenue procedure related to a deduction for casualty losses for homes that are suffering crumbling foundations in north-central and eastern Connecticut and western Massachusetts. It is related to a pyrrhotite material which cropped up in a quarry that was used for aggregate in concrete foundations and is sweeping the area. Thousands of homes are affected by it.

Mr. LARSON and I are actively working with Treasury Secretary Mnuchin for this purpose.

 $Mr.\ L\bar{A}R\bar{S}ON$ of Connecticut. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. COURTNEY. I yield to the gentleman from Connecticut.

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Chairman, I want to thank my colleague for being stellar in this, in leading the fight in the State of Connecticut and in joining the Connecticut General Assembly in that effort. I thank Congressman Courtney for his diligence in this effort.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. Kustoff), who has been leading the fight against opioid and drug abuse.

Mr. KUSTOFF of Tennessee. Mr. Chairman, I rise today in support of the en bloc package, which includes my amendment to increase funds to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas by \$10 million.

After many grave conversations with law enforcement throughout my district, it is crystal clear that this drug scourge is one of the top concerns right now, if not the top concern.

Mr. Chairman, I know my colleagues are having similar discussions in their districts, so they understand just how serious the issue is becoming for the American people. Our drug task force in the Eighth Congressional District of Tennessee desperately needs these funds, as we have seen a spike in trafficking of narcotics across Interstate 40 in west Tennessee.

The spread of illegal drugs in west Tennessee and across the Nation leads to higher crime rates, which means our local, State, and Federal law enforcement are being stretched incredibly thin. But we must also think of the resources needed to battle the drug addiction epidemics, such as the opioid crisis. We should be proactive now because prevention is the best long-term solution.

Our law enforcement are working tirelessly, but they simply do not have the proper resources to effectively combat drug trafficking. We must do more to support our law enforcement in this fight, and I believe that increasing funds to the HIDTA program is a really good first step.

No doubt, officers at the local, State, and Federal level have expressed support for this amendment, and I urge my colleagues to support these en bloc amendments.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Hawaii (Ms. GABBARD).

Ms. GABBARD. Mr. Chairman, I rise today in support of this package and an amendment that includes additional funding for the Native American CDFI Assistance Program.

The CDFI Fund's Native Initiatives program seeks to level the economic playing field by providing awards to organizations that make credit, capital, and other essential financial services available to underserved and impoverished Native communities.

In the past, this program has provided funding to organizations like Lei Ho'olaha, which provides financial training and loans to charter schools and community centers in Hawaii to help make them creditworthy. It also provides funding to the Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement, which helps provide access to capital for people living in Native Hawaiian communities to help them purchase affordable homes, start new businesses, and to help drive commerce.

We must build upon this progress in Native communities and increase the funding for the CDFI Fund's Native Initiatives to build businesses, create jobs, empower these Native communities, and spur economic growth. Please support this amendment.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GRAVES).

The en bloc amendments were agreed to.

50. AMENDMENT NO. 190 OFFERED BY MR. ROSKAM

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 190 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. ___. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to authorize a transaction by a U.S. financial institution (as defined under section 561.309 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations) that is ordinarily incident to the export or re-export of a commercial passenger aircraft to the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. ROSKAM) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Illinois.

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Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chair, I rise today in support of amendment No. 190, which would help prevent companies from weaponizing the Iranian regime and help stop the flow of troops and armaments to Assad's murderous regime.

This amendment would prohibit the Office of Foreign Assets Control from authorizing the sale of aircraft to Iran.

Western companies are in the process of trying to sell dozens of planes to Iran Air—that is Iran's flagship carrier—and other Iranian airlines with deep ties to hostile Iranian actors.

Iran's aviation sector, led by Iran Air, has a long history of illicitly transporting militants, weapons, and explosives on commercial aircraft to terror groups and rogue regimes. Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps—the IRGC—and Iran's Ministry of Defense use commercial aircraft to directly support Iran's campaign of terror around the Middle East.

In recent years, both before the Iran nuclear deal and after, Iranian airlines have served as a lifeline to the Assad regime, transporting weapons and troops to the embattled dictator. Iran Air was recently designated by the U.S. Treasury for such activity. Numerous Iranian airlines remain sanctioned.

Last year, while speaking on the floor in support of these same amendments, which passed the floor, I had on display this map beside me exhibiting the route of an Iran Air flight in the middle of the night from an IRGC hub to war-torn Damascus. This midnight flight was unscheduled and flew on a routine Iranian arms supply path to Syria. Hundreds of these flights are documented, showing a sophisticated Iranian arms supply system using commercial jets.

On display now is even more compelling evidence of Iran Air's nefarious activity. These recently taken photos display Iran-backed Afghani militiamen flying Iran Air to Syria. You can see these same militiamen holding AK-47s on the ground in the Syrian war zone and prepping heavy artillery. These fighters are reported to be part of an IRGC training Afghan Shiite militia actively fighting for the Assad regime. Iran Air and the IRGC transport these jihadis to Syria to fight for a dictator responsible for the deaths of almost a half a million people, Mr. Chairman.

Until Iran ceases using commercial aircraft to support terrorists and war criminals, Western companies ought not be allowed to sell Iranian airlines more aircraft that they can use to fuel Assad's brutal war.

 $\operatorname{Mr.}$ Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Chair, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Oregon is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Chair, I yield myself 2½ minutes.

Mr. Chair, I rise in opposition to my friend's amendment, somebody I enjoy working with and respect; but, with all due respect, I think he is wrong on this. There is no denying the fact that there are some bad people in Iran who do bad things, and we have a complicated relationship that we are trying to deal with.

But, first of all, there are already other countries who are involved with this. Airbus just had a contract. What the gentleman is talking about would deny the opportunity for Boeing to be able to have these sales go forward, cost Americans up to 100,000 jobs, and keep billions of dollars out of the United States' economy.

Mr. Chairman, part of this is people are deeply concerned about the agreement that we made with Iran dealing with nuclear weapons, which, I would note, to this point, has actually dialed down some of the work in terms of halted enrichment beyond 3.67 percent, it limited the size of its uranium stockpile, filled in the core of a heavy water nuclear reactor with cement, and provides an opportunity for us to do something. There are many areas in this region where we have common interests, and we are kind of doing a dance.

One of the concerns I have is the United States has consistently mismanaged its relationship with Iran.

How would we feel if somebody had moved to overturn our popularly elected government, as we did with Iran in 1953, or we sided with Saddam Hussein in the brutal war against Iran when they were openly using chemical weapons?

There are things here that have made this a difficult relationship.

The majority of Iranians, ironically, still like Americans. Unlike Donald Trump's imaginary Muslims in New Jersey dancing in the street on 9/11, in Tehran on 9/11, there were candlelight vigils in support of the United States. It has more of a democracy than what we have in Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

Now, I agree that we have challenges dealing with them, but at a time when we should be strengthening ties with a former enemy through diplomacy, trade, and job creation, we should be able to try and have the management of this complicated relation rather than penalizing American companies for no good purpose.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chairman, may I inquire how much time remains?

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Illinois has 2½ minutes remaining, and the gentleman from Oregon has 2½ minutes remaining.

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. BARR), the chairman of the Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade of the Financial Services Committee.

Mr. BARR. Mr. Chairman, I rise in strong support of the amendment of my friend from Illinois. The gentleman has shown great leadership on this issue prohibiting the Office of Foreign Assets Control from using funds to issue a license allowing U.S.-made aircraft to be sold to Iran, and also prohibiting OFAC from using funds to authorize U.S. financial institutions to finance the purchase of military fungible aircraft to Iran.

As the chairman of the subcommittee with oversight over treasury implementation of sanctions, it is just unacceptable and unnecessary to expose the U.S. financial system to the world's leading state sponsor of terrorism in a jurisdiction of primary money laundering concern.

At a hearing in April, the Committee on Financial Services heard testimony that Iran Air's role in the Syrian conflict continues. That same day, the public received reports of a chemical weapons attack killing dozens of Syrian civilians.

What we know is that there is significant evidence suggesting that Iran Air flights are now being used to transport personnel and material supporting the IRGC and its efforts to assist the Assad regime and Hezbollah.

Mr. Chairman, I applaud the gentleman's amendment and I support it. We should not be assisting the world's leading state sponsor of terrorism with commercial aircraft.

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Chair, I want to be clear. I understand the deep concerns about things that Iranians are doing that I personally disagree with. The Syrian conflict is a horrific tragedy, but we have problems with Russia in Syria, we have problems with Turkey in Syria. We are involved with a situation in the Middle East that is horrific and is going to require all of our best efforts.

With all due respect, we have a number of things we are trying to achieve in this regard. I think being able to maintain our commitments under the agreement with the JCPOA is important. That Iranian nuclear agreement has held and it is one of the few bright spots in that region.

Second, we are punishing an American company, but, as I mentioned, Airbus just executed a contract. There are other parts of the world that have moved forward. One of the reasons that we were able to get alignment was there are different agreements in terms of what people want to do with France, Great Britain, Germany, and Russia.

We have struck an agreement with those allied powers working with us to make it more difficult for Iran to be a nuclear state. We have an opportunity for us to not penalize American companies. We have an opportunity for us to try and make diplomacy work, which has been undercut by many of the things we are seeing from the administration, trying to dial back the capacity of the State Department, dial back the soft power that even the military says that we need to do.

We have a number of areas where there are sponsors of terror. Pakistan is involved with all sorts of things in this region, and, of course, they have been key in helping North Korea become a nuclear state.

I don't think we should paint a picture here that is too simplistic. We ought to acknowledge the fact that this is complex, that there are problems, but deal with a country where the majority of people like Americans, where they have kept their nuclear commitments, where other countries are going to step in and fill the gap,

and that we ought not to penalize American industry or undercut diplomatic efforts.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chairman, my friend from Oregon acknowledges that there are bad people doing bad things in Iran. Well, let's not help them. Let's not be complicit.

And as to the candlelight vigils, none of the mullahs, none of the leadership, were involved in candlelight vigils for the United States. These are the people that are chanting and provoking: Death to America.

This does no violence to those who were supporters of the JCPOA. They like it. This has no impact on it whatsoever. Furthermore, it doesn't put American companies at any other disadvantage than other companies have. In other words, the two big players here are Airbus and Boeing, neither of whom, if we are successful with this amendment, would be able to sell into that marketplace. Why? Because Airbus has the same level of technology, they get caught up in the same net that we do.

We have got to ask the question: Do we step back and say, "Wow. It is just complicated and it is overwhelming, and, inshallah, let's do nothing"?

No. Let's lean in. Let's make a decision. Let's be articulate and let's say that we are choosing not to be complicit with what we know is outrageous, and that is the use of commercial aircraft supporting the world's largest state sponsor of terror. This is fairly intuitive. The House has come together on these issues in the past.

Mr. Chair, I urge its passage, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. ROSKAM).

The amendment was agreed to.

AMENDMENT NO. 191 OFFERED BY MR. ROSKAM

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 191 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. ____. None of the funds made available to the Department of Treasury by this division may be used to issue a license pursuant to any Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) memo regarding Section 5.1.1 of Annex II to the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action of July 14, 2015 (JCPOA), including the January 16, 2016, OFAC memo titled, "Statement of Licensing Policy For Activities Related to the Export Or Re-Export to Iran of Commercial Passenger Aircraft and Related Parts and Services" and any other OFAC memo of the same substance.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. ROSKAM) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Illinois for 5 minutes.

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chairman, this amendment is similar to the previous amendment debated. Specifically, it would prohibit the Office of Foreign Assets Control from authorizing U.S. financial institutions—that is the distinction—from financing aircraft and sales to Iran.

It is the same reasons. It is all the same facts. It is fairly straightforward.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I rise in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Illinois is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, ideological riders have no place on the appropriations bill. The substance of the amendment should be debated as a stand-alone piece of legislation and under the proper committee of jurisdiction.

Unfortunately, the fiscal 2018 Financial Services appropriations bill before us today is already loaded full of policy riders that don't belong on spending bills.

Furthermore, this amendment would block the ability of Boeing to complete the \$30 billion worth of aircraft sales to Iran, resulting in the loss of U.S. jobs. It would put U.S. in breach of JCPOA.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ROŠKAM. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. LAMBORN), a member of the Armed Services Committee.

Mr. LAMBORN. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of amendment 191 to the Financial Services and General Government appropriations bill. This amendment prohibits funds from being used to issue a license relating to the sale of commercial passenger aircraft to the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The JCPOA allowed for the sale of commercial aircraft to Iran Air, but it is an Iranian airline that the Treasury Department designated in 2013 for providing material, support, and services to the Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.

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What changed in those 3 years from that designation to the signing of the JCPOA? Congress has yet to see a report of good behavior on the part of the Iranians. The Ayatollahs continue to call America the "Big Satan."

The sales of these aircraft must be stopped so long as the Iranians continue to be the leading state sponsor of terrorism.

I thank Representative ROSKAM for his leadership on this issue and hope that it passes with unanimous support.

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chair, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from New York (Mr. ZELDIN).

Mr. ZELDIN. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of this amendment which I am proud to cosponsor with my colleagues, Mr. ROSKAM and Mr. LAMBORN.

When the U.S. entered into the JCPOA, we empowered Iran to advance its bad activities. Iran Air was sanctioned in 2011, for using commercial flights to transport missile and rocket components to Syria. The Syrian war is far from over. We cannot allow Iran to establish a permanent presence in Syria.

This amendment would block taxpayer funds from supporting a regime that has killed too many people. I strongly support the passage of this amendment. I am concerned, as I hear opposition to this amendment where we are talking about the need to protect American jobs, where the connection is being made to those American jobs being used to support terrorism abroad. That is a stretch.

I would encourage my colleagues on the other side of the aisle, if they are concerned about protecting American jobs, that we are pursuing American jobs to help our great country, not supporting the bad activities of a regime that is developing intercontinental ballistic missiles in violation of U.N. Security Council resolutions; calling Israel the "Little Satan" and America the "Great Satan;" overthrowing foreign governments; financially awarding terror; the largest state sponsor of terrorism. I say that my colleagues on the other side of the aisle should be sharing our concern and supporting this amendment.

 $\operatorname{Mr.}$ Chairman, I thank $\operatorname{Mr.}$ Roskam for his leadership.

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Chairman, to close, as to the argument about ideological riders, this is the Article I branch. It is the prerogative of the House of Representatives and the Congress to speak and decide how money is to be spent.

As to the notion that, the accusation that this breaches the JCPOA, as much of a critic as I am of that deal, this doesn't breach it. So it is in compliance with it.

The notion of jobs is an interesting one, and it kind of creates a moral quandary until, Mr. Chairman, you balance out these two things: jobs versus lives. Is that really a question here? Aren't lives more important than jobs? Isn't it an interesting thing that several Members of the Washington State delegation where Boeing, in particular, is headquartered have actively written to the leadership of the Boeing Company saying, don't do this, essentially, and don't put our employees in the moral quandary of having to move forward on this?

Finally, Mr. Chairman, how would we be feeling if the debate were happening in 1938 in this country, and the question was: Are we going to loan money to some commercial operation that can be used by the regime in Hamburg, Germany, for example? We would be scandalized by it.

We need to recognize with a sense of clarity where we are in history. We ought not to be complicit with this. This House can make a great deal of difference in the future of this fight.

Mr. Chair, I urge the passage of this amendment, the adoption of it, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. ROSKAM).

The amendment was agreed to.

AMENDMENT NO. 192 OFFERED BY MR. PALMER

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 192 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. ___. None of the funds made available by this Act (including title IV and title VIII) may be used to carry out the Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Amendment Act of 2014 (D.C. Law 20-261) or to implement any rule or regulation promulgated to carry out such Act.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. PALMER) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Alabama.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Chairman, my amendment would prohibit funds from being used to implement the District of Columbia's Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Amendment Act of 2014, or RHNDA.

This law prevents religious and prolife advocacy organizations from making employment decisions consistent with their institutional mission. The First Amendment States in part that "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

Without my amendment, some employers in the District of Columbia would be forced to embrace the beliefs of the 13 members of the D.C. Council. D.C. allows abortions until the moment of birth, but a number of organizations in D.C.—such as March for Life, Americans United for Life, and the Susan B. Anthony List—exist solely to protect the sanctity of life.

The Constitution provides them the right to exercise those beliefs just like it does those who oppose it. That is why, when the District passed RHNDA, former D.C. Mayor Vincent Gray described it as "legally problematic" saying: "... the bill raises serious concerns under the Constitution, and under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act...."

My amendment would restore religious freedom to employers inside the District of Columbia. Those who want to have an abortion do not have to work for employers who oppose them. They have life and the liberty to pursue their own interests with another employer.

Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chairman, I rise in strong opposition to this amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentlewoman from the District of Columbia is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

This amendment prohibits the District of Columbia from spending its local funds to carry out a local anti-discrimination law, the Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Amendment Act. Unlike the D.C. Council which passed this law, no Member of this Congress was elected to legislate on local D.C. matters, or is accountable to the voters of the District of Columbia.

This amendment gives employers the license to discriminate against employees, their spouses, and their dependents, based on their private, constitutionally protected reproductive decisions.

This amendment permits employers to fire a woman for having an abortion due to rape, or to decline to hire a woman for using in vitro fertilization, or to fire a man for using condoms, or to reduce the salary of a parent for buying birth control for his or her child

Contrary to the sponsor's claim, the D.C. law does not require employers to provide insurance coverage for reproductive health decisions. Importantly, the law states expressly, here this language: "This section shall not be construed to require an employer to provide insurance coverage related to a reproductive health decision."

The D.C. law is valid under both the U.S. Constitution and the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. Indeed, the law has been in effect for more than 2 years. It is now law. And there appear to have been no lawsuits challenging it.

Under the U.S. Constitution, laws may limit religious exercise if they are neutral, generally applicable, and rationally related to a legitimate governmental interest. Under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, laws may substantially burden religious exercise only if they further a compelling governmental interest in the least restrictive means.

The D.C. law meets all of these requirements. That is why it has never been challenged. The D.C. law also protects religious liberty. The Constitution's narrow ministerial exception allows religious organizations to make employment decisions for ministers and ministerial employees for any reason whatsoever.

D.C. law permits religious and political organizations to make employment decisions based on religious and political views. Under the D.C. law, employees must be willing to carry out an employer's missions and directives.

I urge Members to vote "no" on this amendment in order to protect employees' reproductive health decisions, workplace equality, and D.C.'s own right to self-government.

Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. BIGGS).

Mr. BIGGS. Mr. Chairman, I thank Mr. PALMER for sponsoring this amendment, which I support wholeheartedly.

I support Mr. Palmer's implementation of the District of Columbia Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Amendment Act which passed the D.C. Council in 2014. This law limits the ability of employers, including pro-life organizations, to avoid hiring applicants whose personal beliefs are contrary to their respective missions.

Today, Congress can begin to right this wrong. Think about the real effect of this law. Organizations like March for Life, Americans United for Life, Susan B. Anthony List, or Family Research Council, among others, whose mission is to advocate for the sanctity of life could be forced to hire individuals who disagree with those very principles.

În the 2012 case, the U.S. Supreme Court unanimously affirmed the right of religious organizations to hire employees that support the mission of the organization for which they will be advocating

We cannot allow 13 D.C. Council members to circumvent that decision and strip employers of their Constitutional rights. The United States Constitution explicitly grants Congress the power to "exercise exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever, over" the District of Columbia.

I believe we have a responsibility to ensure the D.C. Council is not infringing on the religious liberties of pro-life organizations.

Mr. Chair, I encourage my colleagues to support this amendment.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chair, may I inquire how much time I have remaining.
The Acting CHAIR. The gentlewoman

has 2 minutes remaining.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Colorado (Ms. DEGETTE), one of the leaders of the right to privacy in this Congress.

Ms. DEGETTE. Mr. Chairman, I rise in strong opposition to this amendment. The gentleman from Alabama talks about the First Amendment rights of employers, but, clearly, this statute by the D.C. Government complies with all of the constitutional rights.

What I am concerned about here is discrimination against employees for making their own reproductive health decisions. Apparently, that doesn't matter to the people on the other side of the aisle: the right of people to take birth control, to have in vitro fertilization, or even to have an abortion.

The D.C. Council decided that was an important right, and that is why they passed this legislation. This is why we should preserve it today. There is absolutely no reason why we should take

the rights of self-governance away from D.C., and there is absolutely no reason why we should take the rights of women and families to exercise their legal, constitutional healthcare decisions.

Mr. Chair, I strongly oppose this amendment, and urge a "no" vote.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Chairman, in spite of numerous requests—with all due respect to the gentlewoman from Colorado and the distinguished Delegate from the District of Columbia—in spite of numerous requests, no exemptions were included in the Reproductive Health Non-Discrimination Amendment Act for either moral or religious objections. I think my colleague from Colorado just pointed that out, that they intended no exceptions.

RHNDA, as enacted, has no religious exemption, and legislative history suggests it may have been passed specifically to target faith-based employers.

Nobody should be forced to take a position one way or the other, or be able to hire them. By leaving this in place, it exposes employers to potential lawsuits.

I would like to point out that, in regard to Congress' authority over this issue, Article I, section 8, clause 17 of the Constitution states that Congress shall have power to exercise exclusive legislation, in all cases whatsoever, over the District.

Mr. Chair, I take exception to my colleague's point that it is acceptable to infringe on the religious liberties of certain people who actually believe in protecting life. The Constitution does not provide for only a certain group to practice their religion, but everyone has a right to practice his or her religion. No government interest can overcome that constitutional right.

Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. NORTON. How much time do I have remaining, Mr. Chairman?

The Acting CHAIR. The gentlewoman has 1 minute remaining.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chair, I don't know what the District of Columbia can do to satisfy the ideologically driven Members on the other side. We protected religious liberty. There have been absolutely no challenges. Republicans persist in ignoring the plain wording on abortion, and, above all, they have ignored their own groundwork principle of local control.

This is a majority that yells local control for everybody except the residents of the District of Columbia. We have defeated this amendment before. We will defeat this amendment again, if not in this House, in the other Chamber, I assure you. It is law. It is going to remain law.

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

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Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, as the designee of Ranking Member Lowey, I move to strike the last word.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Illinois is recognized for 5 minutes

Mr. QUIGLEY. This is an interesting debate, Mr. Chairman. Normally it would be heard for the would-be candidates for the District of Columbia City Council, but the issues remain far more important.

This amendment would, once again, overreach by prohibiting funds for D.C.'s Reproductive Health Nondiscrimination Amendment Act of 2014. That law prohibits discrimination based on reproductive health decisions. Reproductive Health The Nondiscrimination Amendment Act protects workers in D.C. from workplace discrimination if the employer disagrees with the employee's use of contraception, in vitro fertilization, and even perhaps a medically necessary abortion. The law prohibits employers from making employment decisions based on reproductive health decisions of employees, their spouses, and children.

Without RHNDA, employers could fire a woman for having an abortion due to rape, fire a man for using a condom, reduce the pay for a parent buying birth control for their child, and decline to hire a woman for using in vitro fertilization. D.C. is protecting workers from losing their jobs if their supervisors do not agree with their most personal decisions. This amendment would strip those protections from D.C. workers.

For those who thought this bill infringed on employers' religious beliefs, D.C. passed a statutory clarification that no employer was required to provide insurance coverage related to reproductive health decisions.

During the congressional review period, the Republican-controlled House passed a resolution disapproving this bill, but the Republican-controlled Senate did not. The Congress had time to act on this issue, and it failed to do so.

D.C. residents should not be subject to endless efforts to overturn their laws. People should be judged at work based on their performance and not on their personal, private reproductive healthcare decisions. That is why D.C. passed this law.

To my friends across the aisle, I understand they see this as a constitutional challenge, but, with all due respect, they are anti-Federalist and Federalist when it is convenient—and not just because of D.C. It has to do more with issues they don't agree with. They are very much for States' rights and local control unless it has something to do with issues like gun violence or a woman's right to choose. This is inconsistent and, frankly, with all due respect, somewhat hypocritical.

Mr. Chairman, I urge a "no" vote on this amendment, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 20 seconds to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GRAVES).

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I want to thank the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. PALMER) for his

fierce support and defense of our First Amendment rights and religious freedoms. Faith-based and pro-life organizations should be free to serve according to their deeply held beliefs. So the vote on this amendment today is one on which you should be voting "yes" for the First Amendment and "yes" for religious freedom.

Mr. PALMER. Mr. Chairman, I want to remind people of what former Mayor Gray wrote in his letter: "Religious organizations, religiously affiliated organizations, religiously driven for-profit entities, and political organizations may have strong First Amendment and RFRA grounds for challenging the law's applicability to them."

The Supreme Court in the Hosanna Tabor v. EEOC decision made it clear—this was a unanimous decision—that organizations are free to hire people who are like-minded and who support their views. In regard to federalism, the Constitution gives Congress the right to legislate over the District of Columbia.

If D.C. won't respect the rights of its citizens, then it is Congress' duty to ensure the laws of D.C. comply with Federal law and the Constitution.

Mr. Chairman, I urge my colleagues to support this amendment and vote "yes," and I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. PALMER).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Alabama will be postponed.

It is now in order to consider amendment No. 193 printed in House Report 115-297.

AMENDMENT NO. 195 OFFERED BY MR. GOHMERT

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 195 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Chairman, as the designee of the gentleman from Florida (Mr. POSEY), I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 361, line 17, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$165.300)".

Page 634, line 16, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$165,300)".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT) and a Mem-

ber opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Chairman, I rise to offer an amendment to H.R. 3354. Originally this was offered by my friend from Florida (Mr. POSEY), who is

currently helping his constituents recover from Hurricane Irma, so I rise on behalf of Mr. Posey.

Mr. Chairman, this amendment would strike the IRS' Operations Support account by \$165,300 and transfer that amount to the Spending Reduction account. The effect would be to eliminate the salary of IRS Commissioner John Koskinen's salary, in fact, and would finally begin a tiny amount of accountability that American taxpayers have deserved for quite some time.

Not only did Commissioner Koskinen fail to hold the IRS accountable for wrongfully targeting groups based on their lawful political beliefs, but he obstructed the congressional investigations into the scandal.

When Congress requested the testimony of Lois Lerner, who was head of the Exempt Organization Division at the IRS, she took the Fifth Amendment and refused to cooperate. Instead of providing these records, as required, Mr. Koskinen chose to—in his words—"recycle" the Lerner email records. By recycle, Mr. Koskinen meant, obviously by his actions, destroy evidence that was part of a congressional investigation, which was in direct conflict with his duties as a public servant and, in particular, as head of the Internal Revenue Service.

After obstructing a congressional investigation, Mr. Koskinen then lied about it under oath on several occasions before Congress. In other words, he repeatedly and contemptuously perjured himself before Congress.

Now, on June 20, 2014, for example, Mr. Koskinen testified in a Ways and Means Committee hearing that since the targeting investigation started, every email had been preserved and nothing was lost. At that very same hearing, Mr. Koskinen said that the backup files no longer existed. He then went on to say that the IRS had "gone to great lengths to spend a significant amount of money trying to make sure that there were no emails that were required that has not been produced."

That, as we found out, was a blatant lie. Mr. Koskinen and his staff had gone to no lengths to get these emails. They had done nothing. In fact, the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration said that the IRS under Koskinen—his direction—simply did not look for the emails at all. Later, more than 1,000 emails were recovered from backup tapes that the IRS had attempted to destroy knowing they were being sought by Congress.

A year later, on June 20, 2015, Mr. Koskinen again falsely testified—also known as perjuring himself—that all of the Lerner emails had been preserved—not lost—but the IRS had destroyed the emails, in fact, and tried to destroy the backup tapes as well. That was well after the investigation had started and the emails were being sought.

Koskinen's dishonesty and obstructionist actions were not limited to congressional business. His actions di-

rectly affected American taxpayers. Under his tenure, IRS customer service for the 2015 filing season was nothing short of abysmal. Taxpayers were forced to wait hours to speak to an IRS agent, even after Congress gave him more money than he had had before for that assistance, but under his control and direction, it was squandered in other ways.

The terrible customer service was a direct result of Mr. Koskinen's IRS directing funds meant for taxpayer services toward other priorities.

At his confirmation hearing, Commissioner Koskinen promised that he would be transparent. That was a lie. This man's salary should be reduced.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I claim the time in opposition. The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Illinois is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, this amendment is intended to cut the pay of the IRS Commissioner to zero. It is nothing more than a gratuitous, partisan cheap shot, an amendment offered last year that failed. I know and I am sure there are plenty of people out there who think that Members of Congress should be paid nothing or have their salary reduced to next to nothing because they disagree with them or they don't like their actions.

Mr. Chairman, I urge my colleagues to oppose this amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Chairman, in conclusion, I hope and literally pray that at some point we will put politics aside and, when somebody lies in front of Congress, we will join together to say: Not before Congress; there will be consequences.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, there have been extraordinary attacks on the IRS Commissioner in a wide variety of ranges, but an amendment similar to this failed last year, which meant there were Republicans who opposed it as well as Democrats. There were attempts to offer impeachment on this matter, and those were partisan efforts in a nonconstructive way. This is just one more element toward that end. It is unnecessary.

Mr. Chairman, I encourage my colleagues to vote "no," and I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GOHMERT).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Texas will be postponed.

AMENDMENT NO. 196 OFFERED BY MS. NORTON

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 196 printed in House Report 115–297.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 513, strike line 1 and all that follows through page 514, line 11.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia. Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, my amendment strikes the repeal of the District of Columbia's Local Budget Autonomy Act, which allows the District of Columbia to spend its local funds consisting solely of local taxes and fees after a 30-day congressional review period; and this is now law.

It is astonishing that my Republican colleagues are so at odds with a local jurisdiction spending its own local funds without the approval of a Federal body, U.S. Congress, and that the House will be voting for a third time since May 2016 to repeal this local law. The first two attempts were not enacted into law, and I expect this third attempt to fail, too.

In fact, I should not even have to offer this amendment. The bill's repeal of the Local Budget Autonomy Act violates the House rule against legislating on an appropriations bill. Of course, the special rule governing consideration of the bill prohibits me from raising a point of order against the repeal provision, which would be sustained by the Chair.

The Local Budget Autonomy Act is in effect. It is now law, I repeat. This year, the D.C. Council passed its second local budget under the Local Budget Autonomy Act.

Smart lawyers differed about the validity of the Local Budget Autonomy Act when D.C. enacted it. However, the Local Budget Autonomy Act has been litigated. The only court ruling in effect upheld it, the ruling was not appealed, and the court ordered D.C. officials to implement it.

Some House Republicans disguised their opposition to the Local Budget Autonomy Act with legalistic arguments until Speaker RYAN revealed last year the real reason the House passed the stand-alone bill repealing the Local Budget Autonomy Act. He said: "There are real consequences. The D.C. government wants to use revenues to fund abortions in the District. House Republicans will not stand for that."

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The Speaker was wrong about the effect of the Local Budget Autonomy Act. Congress loses nothing under our budget autonomy law. Congress retains the authority to legislate on any D.C. matter, including its local budget, at any time. That is unfortunate, but that, too, is the law.

The Local Budget Autonomy Act is a modest attempt by the District to be able to implement its local budget soon after it is passed, like other jurisdictions, instead of having it caught up in congressional delays.

Indeed, the riders in the bill prohibiting D.C. from spending its local funds on marijuana commercialization and abortion services for low-income women were changed from those in prior appropriations bills to account for the Local Budget Autonomy Act. Still, that is not enough.

Historically, D.C. riders applied only to funds included in appropriations bills, because only appropriations bills authorized D.C. spending. In this bill, as in fiscal year 2017, the riders apply to D.C. local funds available under any authority, including those in the local budget passed under the Local Budget Autonomy Act.

Local control over the dollars raised by local taxpayers is a principle much cited by my Republican colleagues, and it is, indeed, central to the American form of government. Beyond this core principle, budget autonomy has practical benefits for D.C., including lowering borrowing costs, more accurate revenue and expenditure forecasts, improved agency operations, and the removal of the threat of D.C. government shutdowns during Federal Government shutdowns. These are our concerns.

D.C.'s budget is larger than the budgets of 14 States, Mr. Chairman. The District raises \$8 billion in local funds. While D.C. is in a better financial position than most cities and States in this country, with a rainy-day fund of over \$2 billion on a total budget of \$14 billion, budget autonomy makes the District even stronger, as it must be, because it has no State fallback.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I rise in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I have the greatest respect for Ms. Norton, and I appreciate her passion and zeal for the District. She advocates well for them.

I hear my friends across the aisle speak about disregard for local law. Let me assure you, Mr. Chairman, this is truly not the case.

Article I, section 8 of the Constitution gives Congress the power "to exercise exclusive legislation in all cases whatsoever" over the seat of government of the United States, which is the District of Columbia.

The District of Columbia is neither a State nor a municipality; in fact, it is a District. Therefore, D.C. derives all of its powers not from the sovereignty of statehood but from the delegation that is given to them by Congress.

By the way, the Home Rule Act in 1973 has allowed D.C. to assume more and more responsibility over time.

This bill before you continues to appropriate D.C. funds, as it has for the last 44 years. That is 44 years of Republican majorities and Democratic majorities. This changes nothing from that. It was under various administrations as well.

This bill does not change the special and unique relationship between D.C. and the Federal Government, because the D.C. Budget Autonomy Act did not change that special, unique relationship between the District and the Federal Government whatsoever.

The D.C. Budget Autonomy Act only amended the Home Rule Act as adopted by the D.C. Code. So no State, county, city, or hybrid like the District of Columbia can override the supremacy of the Constitution.

Mr. Chairman, as we debate this each and every time, let me assure the body here that the District of Columbia has plenty of autonomy, but when it comes to spending, that is the role of Congress as given to us through the U.S. Constitution.

Mr. Chairman, I urge a "no" vote on the amendment, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR (Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois). The question is on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia will be postponed.

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 198 printed in House Report 115–297.

AMENDMENT NO. 199 OFFERED BY MR. ELLISON

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 199 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 590, strike line 1 and all that follows through page 591, line 14.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Minnesota and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Minnesota.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, my amendment simply preserves the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's independent funding and ensures that it is adequately funded. That is essentially what this is all about. This is very clear. The sides on this couldn't be more clear. My amendment is one of many this week, but I hope that people pay special attention to how folks vote on this particular amendment.

This amendment is a clear litmus test. If a legislator wants to support

the work of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, if they want to support the work of \$11.5 billion being returned to consumers, they should vote "ves."

A "yes" vote on my amendment means you want to protect Americans from fraud, deceptive practices, and rip-off schemes.

A "yes" vote means you want banks, debt collectors, credit reporting agencies, payday lenders, and other finance companies to be held accountable if they rip off consumers.

A "yes" vote means that you want honest and fair-dealing firms in the financial services space to be rewarded for their good work and for people who take advantage of consumers to be punished.

We want to keep good companies good. How can you do that if good and bad get treated just alike?

We need the CFPB. My amendment asks that you stand with Ari Booras, for example. As you may have seen on "CBS Sunday Morning" a few weeks ago, Harry Booras contacted the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's consumer complaint center for help. His teenage son, Ari, joined the Army, just like mine did, and bought a used truck at a car dealer near his base.

My boy was 18 when he went to the Army. Ari was the same age, I imagine. Yet that desire was taken advantage of.

Teenage Ari joined the Army and bought a used truck at a car dealer near the base. The loan was way more than this private could possibly afford, with an extensive extended warranty and 18.5 percent interest. Private Booras would have paid three times more than Blue Book value for this \$11,000 truck. He would have paid three times more. Yet he can't afford three times more. He is just a private trying to serve his country.

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau got Private Booras and 50,000 other servicemembers out of these predatory loans that ruin their finances and cause enormous stress in their lives. We need servicemembers thinking about protecting the country, not how to fight off some predatory lender.

My amendment asks that you stand with Samir Hanef from Durham, North Carolina. Samir was one of more than half a million people who was wrongly charged for auto insurance when he took out a loan to buy a Honda Civic.

Samir, a social worker, already had insurance, but Wells Fargo charged him and 20,000 others, customers, added insurance that made them miss payments. This led to their cars being repossessed in some cases.

The numerous scandals at Wells Fargo—the forced insurance, fake accounts, overcharges at mortgage closing, signing customers up for life insurance without their consent, and other fraudulent practices—are coming to light because of the work of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

and its consumer complaint office. They need independence.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I rise in opposition to the amendment. The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Missouri is recognized for 5 min-

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, in June, the House passed H.R. 10, the Financial CHOICE Act, with overwhelming support.

Section 713 of the Financial CHOICE Act contained language to subject the CFPB to the annual congressional appropriations process.

Under the Dodd-Frank Act, the CFPB is funded out of the earnings of the Federal Reserve system. In order to obtain funding, the Director need only submit a letter to the Board of Governors and Federal Reserve each quarter certifying the amounts of funds determined by the Director to be reasonably necessary for carrying out the authorities of the Bureau. The Federal Reserve then transfers the stated amount to the Bureau for operations.

Basically, the Federal Reserve serves purely as an ATM machine for the CFPB, and neither Congress nor the President has the ability to have any input into the Bureau's funding or oversight of whether that funding is spent effectively.

The Bureau's funding is, therefore, different from other regulators that police markets for force and fraud, including the Federal Trade Commission, the Securities and Exchange Commission, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and all those which are funded principally through congressional appropriations.

To return to a constitutional structure and create agency accountability, Congress must reclaim its power of the purse over the most potent tools the Constitution gives Congress for conducting oversight of Federal agencies and implementing the real reforms. There can be no consent of the governed if the American people, through their democratically elected Representatives, have no say in how their government spends their hard-earned dollars.

To reassert Congress' power of the purse, the Financial CHOICE Act calls for all the Federal financial regulatory agencies, including the CLEA and FSOC, to be funded through the congressional appropriations process, ensuring that these agencies use their funding effectively and transparently to fulfill their mission of protecting consumers and investors.

Like other executive branch agencies and other regulators that police the markets, the CFPB will have the chance to justify its expenditures to Congress as a part of the appropriations process. Congress can continue to fund programs that provide value to consumers and can stop funding programs that are mired in waste, fraud,

and abuse. This is a basic accountability measure, no more, no less.

It seems my good colleague across the aisle is fearful that we may do something to harm that ability. He is afraid of providing accountability for those dollars. That is our basic function and it is our responsibility. We must not miss this opportunity to reestablish separation of powers and restore the constitutional governance to the administrative state.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, how much time do I have remaining?

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Minnesota has 1 minute remaining.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. QUIGLEY).

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Before Dodd-Frank, consumer protection laws were enforced by a patchwork of different regulations, each focused on their own issues. The CFPB enhanced and simplified consumer regulation, consolidating enforcement into a single authority devoted to all aspects of consumer protection ranging from oversight over mortgages and credit cards to unregulated products previously, like payday and student loans.

The Wells Fargo fake account scandal, which CFPB played a key role in exposing, and the more recent Equifax data breach show precisely why we need a well-resourced and functional CFPB.

By subjecting the CFPB to the appropriations process, the goal is not to provide necessary oversight. Considerable accountability measures already exist. It is to starve them of funding and weaken their ability to do their job. We have seen this before with other financial regulators like the FCC and CFTC, who are still struggling to carry out Dodd-Frank rulemaking.

Therefore, I ask my colleagues to preserve the independence, stand on the side of consumers, and vote "yes" on the Ellison amendment.

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Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. BARR).

Mr. BARR. Mr. Chairman, I thank the chairman's leadership on this, and, with all due respect to my friends on the other side of the aisle, this amendment is not about protecting consumers. This amendment is about protecting bureaucrats from accountability from the American people.

You know, I don't know, for the life of me, why Members of Congress would not defend this institution, both Republicans and Democrats on both sides of the aisle defend this institution. Why on Earth would we give away the most complete and effectual power of

Congress—as James Madison said, "the power of the purse"—away to unelected, unaccountable bureaucrats in the executive branch?

When I asked Chair Yellen whether she approves the budget of the Bureau, she didn't know the answer to that basic question. We know that the CFPB is not accountable to the American people through their elected Representatives in Congress. That is by statutory design. That is what Dodd-Frank says. But we would hope that they would at least be accountable to the source of their funding, and they are not even accountable to the Fed.

Defeat this amendment, support accountability, support the Constitution and restoring the power of the purse to the elected Representatives of the Congress.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. ROTHFUS).

Mr. ROTHFUS. Mr. Chairman, I, too, rise in opposition of this amendment. The proponent suggests that his amendment is basically necessary for the functioning of the CFPB. It is not. The CFPB is going to continue to function but with the accountability of the American people.

This amendment is inconsistent—inconsistent with the fundamental principle of American Government: of government of the people, by the people, and for the people. This amendment is inconsistent with the fundamental American principle of self-rule. That happens in this Congress.

Congress needs to have authority over every part of the Federal Government, including the CFPB, so we can make the determination of what harm it may be bringing to consumers. We do know that consumers have been harmed with loss of free checking and losing their local community institutions because of the overregulation coming from this town.

So I urge my fellow Members to defeat this amendment and to vote for accountability over the CFPB.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 15 seconds to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GRAVES), chair of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I appreciate the work here by the gentleman making a great case on why this amendment is harmful to the American people and to the financial prosperity, and so I join them in my opposition, and their opposition as well, to this amendment and urge the House to defeat it.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, may I ask how much time I have left. The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Missouri has 15 seconds remaining.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, just to close, I would encourage all the Members to oppose the amendment. It is curious why we have someone here who is fighting the ability of Congress to do its job to provide oversight. So I

ask the question: Are we fearful of somebody looking over the shoulder of CFPB? Why? What are they hiding? What are they not doing? What should we be worried about? I think, more than ever, we need to be looking over their shoulder.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. ELLISON).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Minnesota will be postponed.

AMENDMENT NO. 200 OFFERED BY MR. ELLISON

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 200 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 563, strike line 16 and all that follows through page 566, line 3.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. ELLISON) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Minnesota.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, my amendment preserves the CFPB's authority to protect people who live in manufactured housing, manufactured housing buyers.

I am lucky to have the National Manufactured Home Owners Association based in my district. For the RECORD, they have written an excellent letter on behalf of this amendment, which I will include in the RECORD.

MANUFACTURED HOUSING ACTION. Representative KEITH ELLISON, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN ELLISON: We are writing to thank you for introducing the Ellison Amendment #200 to the Department of the Interior, Environment and Related Agencies Act of 2018 (H.R. 3354). On behalf of the manufactured homeowners we represent, we our offering our organizational support for this amendment.

MHAction empowers homeowners and residents in manufactured home communities to build and win local, state and national issue campaigns that strengthen the long-term viability and affordability of their communities. The work of MHAction is based on a set of core values, central to which are compassion for our neighbors and love of our communities. We believe that manufactured home communities play a key role in providing affordable, safe and accessible housing for all families, regardless of race, language, immigration status, class, religion, gender, or sexual orientation. MHAction currently represents over 19,000 manufactured homeowners in 28 states.

It is vital that this amendment passes to protect manufactured home buyers, especially people of color that face higher levels of lending discrimination and seniors. We need to ensure that the Consumer Finance Protection Bureau retains the power to ensure that potential home buyers aren't steered into high fee and high interest loans. When people buy a home, it should help increase their stability and wealth, not damage their finances.

Again, we would like to express our sincere thanks to your office for fighting to ensure that the Consumer Finance Protection Bureau can continue to protect manufactured home buyers from loans that strip away their economic and retirement security.

Should you have any question, please feel free to contact MHAction's Executive Director, Kevin Borden. Our organization can easily put your office in touch with purposedriven community leaders in numerous states that have been fighting to strengthen the economic and retirement security of manufactured homeowners.

Sincerely,

THE MHACTION CORE TEAM.

NATIONAL MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATION, St. Paul, MN, September 7, 2017.

Representative Keith Ellison, $House\ of\ Representatives,$

Washington, DC.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN ELLISON: On behalf of the 17 million people nationwide who live in manufactured homes, we offer our support for the Ellison Amendment No. 200 to the Department of the Interior, Environment and Related Agencies Act of 2018 (H.R. 3354).

This amendment prevents the roll back of vital Dodd-Frank consumer protections that would be especially harmful to low- and moderate-income families. Contrary to claims made by those making these changes, the current manufactured housing provisions in H.R. 3354 would not expand access to credit and would not serve the interests of homeowners and communities. Instead, this bill would undermine already vulnerable homeowners by stripping away protections created by Congress and implemented by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

These protections were put in place for a reason: to give manufactured-home owners the same protections as traditional home owners. The last housing crisis showed that exorbitant loan pricing was a particular area of abuse. Congress and the CFPB decided to protect homeowners from these practices, but the current language in H.R. 3354 would repeal these protections for the buyers of manufactured homes.

The severity of this problem has been well-documented by investigations such as the one conducted by The Seattle Times and the Center for Public Integrity. In a series of articles published in 2015, it was reported that "former dealers said the company encouraged them to steer buyers to finance with Clayton's own high-interest lenders." The investigation concluded that industry leader, "Clayton relies on predatory sales practices, exorbitant fees, and interest rates that can exceed 15 percent, trapping many buyers in loans they can't afford and in homes that are almost impossible to sell or refinance."

We support the Ellison Amendment No. 200 to H.R. 3354 in order to retain the CFPB's efforts to protect manufactured home buyers from high cost loans. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

Dave Anderson,

Executive Director.

Mr. ELLISON. I am also very proud of the residents of the Park Plaza, a

manufactured home resident-owned community in my district.

They tell me that being steered to high-cost loans makes homeownership more costly for families. Before Dodd-Frank and the creation of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, the manufactured home loan market was notoriously predatory.

For example, a story in The Seattle Times, which I recommend Members read, tells the story of Kirk and Patricia Ackley, a construction worker and a Walmart employee in Washington State.

More than a decade ago, they bought a new manufactured home big enough for their children and room to care for Patricia's dad, who had dementia. But their dream became a nightmare when the promised 7 percent interest rate was raised to 12.5 percent.

This family faced crisis when this raised their monthly payment from \$700 to \$1,100. They had already invested \$11,000 to build the concrete foundation for their new home. They took the loan, but it destroyed their finances and nearly cost them their marriage. The home was repossessed.

A 2015 investigation by the Center for Public Integrity and The Seattle Times interviewed more than 280 customers of Clayton Homes. One person they interviewed was a member of the Navajo Nation. She said she learned about Clayton on Navajo radio.

The ad recommended that she talk to a specific Navajo-speaking salesperson at a lot outside of the reservation. He told her that Vanderbilt Mortgage was the only source of finance for homes on the reservation. He didn't tell her the truth and overcharged her.

Now it is illegal for a salesperson to steer buyers to high-cost loans because of new rules from the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. But section 915 of the bill weakens those protections. Loans with high interest rates can be especially devastating to buyers of mobile homes since houses often depreciate quickly.

A buyer with a high rate will still owe a large sum for many years on a home that can be almost impossible to sell or finance. That is because the value of the home can fall below the loan balance.

Opponents of my amendment say that they want to help manufactured home buyers. That is a good thing. Yet none of them have cosponsored H.R. 515, which would provide low-cost loans to owners of outdated mobile homes so they can buy ENERGY STAR homes, which would reduce their bills and save energy. None of them have joined me to cosponsor the Frank Adelmann Manufactured Housing Community Sustainability Act, which helps residents of mobile home communities form a cooperative and buy the land that they live on. Or what about H.R. 3583 that gives manufactured homeowners located in communities the same tax benefits as those who own their own land?

I have introduced these bills to try to help people who live in manufactured homes. We do and must stand with them because this is an affordable, and sometimes quality, housing option for people, and yet manufactured homeowners support my bills.

Right here we have the National Manufactured Home Owners Association, which has said very clearly that my amendment is a good one.

There is a way to help manufactured homeowners that does not involve overcharging them. There is a way forward to help owners of manufactured housing without helping Clayton Homes and its affiliates make more money off of them.

And let's be clear, nearly no other lender benefits to this change to section 915. Ninety-one percent of the high-cost loans come from lenders owned by Clayton. The industry's second largest mobile home lender, Wells Fargo, didn't have a single loan in the high-rate pool in The Seattle Times study.

Protect manufactured home buyers. Support my amendment No. 200.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. BARR. Mr. Chairman, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Kentucky is recognized for 5 minutes

Mr. BARR. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, the examples raised by my friend, the gentleman from Minnesota, really have nothing to do with the provisions of the bill that the amendment seeks to strike. What the bill does do, the underlying bill, and I thank the gentleman from Georgia for including this in the Financial Services Appropriations bill—what the bill does is make targeted adjustments so that manufactured home loans are available in the market.

Again, consumer protection is not denying people access to affordable housing, and that is what the gentleman's amendment would do.

The Dodd-Frank Act does prevent predatory lending, but nothing in this language changes that at all. Instead of unrelated stories about consumer protections that the bill's provision will not change, let's get back to talking about how consumers are actually harmed by the rules we are seeking to change.

Look, let's talk about real people who are affected negatively by over-reach by the CFPB and Dodd-Frank, people in my district in Kentucky, in rural Kentucky where manufactured housing is one of the best affordable options and less expensive than renting.

Let's talk about the hospital worker in Paducah, Kentucky, who was denied a loan of \$38,500 to finance a manufactured home. He had an 8 percent down payment. His monthly income was \$2,200 per month, plenty to cover the all-in housing costs of \$670 per month.

The payment for his own home would have been less than what he was spending on rent, but he was unable to get financing. Why? Because of the CFPB; because of Dodd-Frank; because of overregulation. He contacted his local banks and credit unions, but they no longer financed manufactured homes because of overregulation.

Those harmed include those who currently live in and those who seek to purchase a manufactured home: retirees, veterans, working families, et cetera.

And the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act data is clear. Consumers have been shut out of the market for quality affordable housing because regulations have caused financing to be less available for manufactured homes.

I want to reserve the balance of my time, and I want to give some other Members an opportunity to say something about this, but I do want to just conclude by saying, this amendment, again, is not about consumer protection. The amendment protects consumers right out of their homes. That is not consumer protection. Keeping access to affordable homeownership is the American Dream. We shouldn't be denying that to people, especially in rural America.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time, and may I ask how much time I have left.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Kentucky has $2\frac{1}{2}$ minutes remaining.

Mr. BARR. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. LUETKEMEYER).

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, it is interesting, some of the debate we are having here this afternoon. We are picking around on the edges of some things and don't really understand the unintended consequences of what we are trying to do here.

The amendment that is here, to try to change the definitions of what a mortgage originator and a high-cost mortgage to facilitate access to credit for purchasing manufactured homes, is going to do just the opposite of what the gentleman is trying to do.

Do you realize that the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. Pearce), in his district, he has testified in our committee that over 50 percent of the people in his district live in manufactured homes. This is not a little bitty problem of half a dozen people living over on the side. This is a major source of housing for many people.

I can tell you, I have got a story right here from a banker in southeast Missouri who had an individual who has several disabilities, was a very honest man, wanted to come in and take care of a dental problem that he had, and his only collateral was a truck and his manufactured home.

He wanted to make the loan on the manufactured home because he could stretch out the payments and do it at a less interest rate, but he couldn't do that. Why? Because the way the law is

structured, he had to do it on his car loan, and, as a result, it really strained and put difficulties in the way of-put barriers in the way of this individual. So I certainly am opposed to the amendment.

Mr. BARR. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. Graves).

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I thank Mr. BARR for his work on this. I mean, the language that the author of this amendment is trying to strip is actually language that improves the quality and affordability of housing for millions of Americans. So I appreciate Mr. BARR for trying to save Americans from the limited access to resources out there.

Unfortunately, new regulations by the CFPB have limited access to financing options for manufacturing homes as well as many other things.

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And, as a result, many lenders now today are no longer able to offer small balance loans, which are often used for the purchase of affordable housing. such as manufactured housing. We should be supporting and encouraging more access to financing. After all, we are talking about the American Dream, the ownership of your home. Don't take that away.

I thank the gentleman for his work, and I urge a "no" vote on this amendment.

Mr. BARR. Mr. Chairman, just to conclude, this is not about raising costs for people. This is about actually making it more affordable to own a home. There may be, in some cases, a higher interest rate for a manufactured home than a site-built home.

But, remember, a manufactured home can be less than half the cost of a site-built home. So you are talking about overall affordability.

Why would we deny people the opportunity to have overall affordability, as opposed to being forced into higher cost rent where they don't even own the American Dream, or being in a position where they can't afford at all?

The only option available is a sitebuilt home, a nonmanufactured home.

Defeat this amendment, preserve access to rural affordable housing, be proconsumer, and oppose this amendment.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. ELLISON).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Minnesota will be postponed.

AMENDMENT NO. 201 OFFERED BY MR. ELLISON The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 201 printed in House Report 115-297.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as fol-

Page 598, strike line 12 and all that follows through page 599, line 2.

The Acting CHAIR, Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. ELLISON) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Minnesota.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, my amendment is to preserve the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's authority to regulate small-dollar loans

Sometimes people need access to more money quickly. We know that. Your car breaks down, your refrigerator dies, or your kid breaks a leg at a soccer game and you get hit with an unexpected health bill. Life happens sometimes, not on a plan. We get that.

Unfortunately, too many people about half of families—do not have the adequate savings for the cushion. Right now, Mr. Chairman, about 63 percent of all Americans report that they do not know what they would do if hit with an unexpected \$500 bill.

If they take out a payday loan or a title loan, they can fall into a cycle of debt, and many people do. Instead of getting one \$500 loan, most people get a repeat loan of 6 to 10, on average, paying additional fees each time, at 400 percent interest. So a \$500 loan could cost thousands of dollars.

More than 80 percent of the payday industry's revenues are generated by repeat borrowers, not one-and-done, Mr. Chairman.

That is why the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau prioritized improving the small-dollar loan market. Unfortunately, language in this bill would stop the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau from moving forward to rein in abuses in the payday loans, auto title loans, and other similar debt traps.

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has documented through extensive study how payday lending traps borrowers in a cycle of debt: one in three auto title loans in default, one in five borrowers using auto title loans have their cars repossessed. That is 20 percent.

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau is close to releasing guidance to improve this market. Its efforts are supported by a broad network of civil rights and consumer advocates, as well as faith-based leaders opposing predatory lending.

I am really proud of Exodus Lending in my district. The Minneapolis Lutheran congregation recognized that too many of their congregants were stuck in debt traps. Their parishioners had jobs. They had bank accounts. But when they took out small-dollar loans, it gave lenders access to their bank ac-

counts, which stripped out a third of their paycheck every 2 weeks. Instead of one loan, they ended up getting ten because they could not repay the first

So the Lutherans, working with Sunrise Banks, established an alternative. They made more than 100 loans to people stuck in debt traps. Other communities are creating small-dollar lending alternatives through employer assistance programs with for-profit partners.

My amendment would simply allow the CFPB to finalize its rulemaking so cool ideas like these, to help people out of debt, could go forward. We need strong Federal standards so people can have access to small loans on a quick basis without falling prey to debt traps.

Research from the Center for Responsible Lending shows that payday lending drains \$3.4 billion a year nationally from consumers' pockets-money that is no longer available to help pay for medicine, new tires, or any kind of emergency.

The CFPB is very close to putting forth a better way to get private sector lenders involved. We could have a \$300 loan with \$60 fees that someone can repay.

Let's allow the CFPB to move forward to better small-dollar loans. Please support my amendment.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Missouri is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER, Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, in June, the House passed H.R. 10, the Financial CHOICE Act, with overwhelming support, Section 733 of the Financial CHOICE Act contained language to remove the CFPB's authority to regulate smalldollar credit.

Federalizing payday loan regulation is unnecessary and harms consumers. The legislatures of several States have determined the respective short-term small-dollar lending solutions that work for their constituents. No State is without small-dollar short-term lending laws and regulation of some kind.

Congress has an obligation not to suspend the Democratic process in the States by delegating to the CFPB Director the authority to impose one unelected man's view on all Americans.

Small-dollar and payday loan products are an unfortunate necessity for many unbanked and underbanked Americans.

What is the APR for losing a job. Mr. Chairman? What is the APR for getting evicted and having your utilities shut off? What is the opportunity cost for struggling Americans no longer having access to this vital lifeline?

Removing the option to utilize a small-dollar short-term loan is likely to have a very real and very harmful impact on a consumer, forcing them to miss bill payments, shift to the alternative, potential legal options, or exacerbating any number of other conceivable financial emergencies that could arise

Mr. Chairman, I believe the best way to improve products is to promote competition and offering them, not ban them. The Financial CHOICE Act ensures that the market, not the regulators, is responsible for determining product viability in the marketplace.

Mr. Chairman, CFPB's own study showed that their regulation was going to drive out of business 85 percent of the small-dollar lenders, and they still went ahead. They don't care. They intend to restrict credit to these very people that need the credit.

An FDIC 2015 study shows that 25 percent of the people in this country are either unbanked or underbanked.

How do we solve that problem? How do those folks have access to credit?

The CFPB is not trying to regulate. They are trying to destroy the small-dollar lending market.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, let's be clear, to get a payday loan, you have to have a bank account and a job. We are not talking about the unbanked. We are talking about people who run into a short-term financial crisis, they go to a payday lender, but the amount of the fees are so high that they have to borrow money to pay the money back, and they end up getting in a cycle of 6 to 10 loans that they have to continue to take out, which drains money from their finances. They lose bank accounts because of payday loans.

We are saying: Let the CFPB allow the regulatory process, the rulemaking process, to go forward. Let's not chop it off, let's not stop it, and let's see what we can find out. People in my district have come up with some pretty innovative ways to go around the highcost, high-APR payday lending scam.

But if we just say, No, we are just going to take authority away from the CFPB, what we are really doing is subjecting Americans to the payday loan industry. Now, I don't want to take support from those guys, so I am happy to stand up here and say: Vote for my amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The time of the gentleman from Minnesota has expired.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the distinguished gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. ROTHFUS).

Mr. ROTHFUS. Mr. Chairman, I rise in opposition to the amendment.

Here we go again: another amendment defending another one-size-fits-all Washington solution, and a solution that the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals would say is going to be promulgated by the single most powerful official, other than the President, in the United States Government, an official that could effect the lives of countless

Americans who are in need of short-term credit.

This amendment is a solution in search of a problem. There is no regulation going on in payday lending. The fact is these transactions are being regulated. They are being regulated at the State level by legislators who know their States and their constituents.

This CFPB action, if they act here, may very well remove the option to utilize a small-dollar short-term loan, and that is likely to have a very real and very harmful impact on the consumer, forcing them to miss bill payments, shift to alternative—potentially number of other conceivable financial emergencies that could arise.

Mr. Chairman, I urge my colleagues to oppose the amendment.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, how much time do I have remaining?

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Missouri has 2 minutes remaining.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 30 seconds to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GRAVES), the distinguished chairman of the Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I join this team here in opposition to the amendment.

I want us just to think about what we have heard over the last several minutes of debate here of various amendments.

First, we heard an amendment offered to take away the American Dream so that consumers couldn't buy a home at an affordable cost. Next, we are hearing that the other side of the aisle wants to take away the ability of small loans from individuals and consumers across the country. But even prior to that, they did not want the very agency that is causing this damage to have any oversight by Congress. This is maddening. This is amazing.

I appreciate the good work that has been done by the Financial Services Committee. I am glad we have been able to incorporate a lot of the great work into this bill.

Mr. Chairman, I join these gentlemen in opposition to the amendment because this is about making America prosperous again, and that is what this bill does.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Chairman, this is really frustrating to me from the standpoint that just a minute ago I gave the figure of 25 percent of our people are either unbanked or underbanked. My good colleague across the aisle said he is not worried that people who are unbanked can't have access to payday lending or short-term lending, and that is just not accurate. That is, quite frankly, in many instances, where people get their credit started. They go to someplace like this because they have a job.

You can't get a payday loan or a small-dollar loan like this unless you

have a job. They take the stub of their paycheck and they can go in and say, I have got a job. From there, they are able to then start paying back whatever the loan is that they take out.

I have in front of me also a whole list of groups of folks and individuals here who have utilized short-term small-dollar programs.

Here is Michelle from Fulton, Missouri, in my own district. She says: My frustration to loan access today is that my 20-year-old daughter, who has a full-time, decent-paying job, cannot get a loan to buy her first vehicle. She isn't even able to get a credit card, which you used to be able to just apply for and you would get it. It is a catch-22: you need credit to get credit. But nobody will give you credit to begin with.

This is an opportunity for a lot of people to get their foot in the door to get credit established and, if you have bad credit, to reestablish good credit. And it also helps people to take care of—and I have another whole bunch of stories here about a young man who needed to get a car loan to get his car fixed, as the gentleman from Minnesota indicated.

So, again, Mr. Chairman, I oppose the gentleman's amendment, and I ask everybody else to do so as well.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. ELLISON).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Minnesota will be postponed.

It is now in order to consider amendment No. 203 printed in House Report 115–297.

AMENDMENT NO. 204 OFFERED BY MR. MITCHELL

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 204 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 348, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$20.175.100)".

Page 354, line 22, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$33,083,700)".

Page 360, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$481,000,000)".

Page 377, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$5,500,000)".

Page 381, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$10,000,000)".

Page 392, line 11, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$7,853,800)".

Page 413, line 20, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$12,300,000)".

Page 446, line 17, after the first dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$26,500,000)".

Page 634, line 16, after the dollar amount, insert (increased by \$596,412,600).

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. MITCHELL) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Michigan.

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Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Chairman, our Nation faces a dire fiscal situation. We have reached our debt limit, we have lifted our debt limit, and we are now determining how to control our spending while still funding necessary programs. What is worse, too many of our Federal regulations and mandates that we fund—or maybe more appropriately, the taxpavers fund—are unnecessary and exact burdensome, excessive costs on our constituents, both families and businesses.

The reality is we can and we must make cuts to our government before financial markets make them for us. We can do that without impacting essential programs if we make the right targeted cuts. If we make those cuts, we can actually grow our economy by stopping overeager bureaucrats who seem to believe that everything-and I do mean everything-should be regulated until it no longer functions.

Not only is such action possible, it is essential for the well-being of the American economy and our families. We in Congress need to be focused on growing and protecting Main Street, not protecting an already bloated Federal Government.

The amendment I have proposed today makes a cut to the bureaucracy of several offices of Financial Services. These cuts are a modest 10 percent reduction of administrative expenses, which will save taxpayers over \$596 million, annually. Let me repeat that. That is over half a billion dollars a year. If we put enough together, it is real money.

One of the cuts included in the amendment is to the IRS. My amendment does not target IRS services, those that help taxpayers get a lost refund or have questions about filing. Lord knows those people need all the help they can get to understand our Tax Code. Rather, the amendment focuses on IRS enforcement.

This is the part of the IRS that abused their power by targeting groups based on their political beliefs, victimizing groups and individuals for exercising their constitutional rights and trying to follow the rule of law. They misled Americans and took 3 years to provide a full list of organizations that were targeted for their political beliefs. This is an agency that must be stopped, and my amendment is a step towards doing so, while saving the American taxpayers money.

I urge my colleagues to seriously consider my amendment as we work to secure our financial future and hold our government accountable.

my time.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chair, I rise in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Illinois is recognized for 5 min-

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, this type of amendment bluntly imposes cuts to government function without regard to merit or consequence. Indiscriminate cuts to the administration accounts in this bill would lead to weakened cybersecurity and increased threat of cyberattacks to the Department of the Treasury systems, poor administration of grants to small businesses, longer wait times for citizens seeking assistance from Federal agencies, longer processing times for issuing Federal payments, reducing the ability of the IRS to detect and deter tax cheats, costly short-term spending decisions, and widespread delays in civil and bankruptcy cases, just as a few examples.

The underlying bill is already dangerously underfunded, having been cut by 6 percent below current levels. Furthermore, the administrative accounts were a large source of this reduction to total funding, and this amendment blindly strips nearly \$600 million more out of these offices.

This amendment would not encourage the agencies to do more with less. Simply put, it would force the agencies and our constituents to do less with

Mr. Chair, I strongly urge Members to oppose this amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Chair, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. GRAVES), my colleague and the chair of the subcommittee.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I know Mr. QUIGLEY and our team have worked hard on this bill, and there are a lot of tough decisions, no doubt about that. We have made some tremendously difficult decisions.

I know Mr. MITCHELL was sitting here with a mission from his constituency, and that was to produce savings, to find savings and to reduce the debt and the deficit. Mr. Chairman, I applaud his efforts. I know he has sharpened his pencil and he has done a lot of work, and I appreciate him bringing this concept before the House.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chair, just acrossthe-board cuts are an abdication of responsibility. It is up to us as appropriators to determine exactly what needs funding and at what levels. For those reasons, I ask my colleagues to oppose this amendment.

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Chair, I have to say, I am astonished at the response that an across-the-board cut is indiscriminate. It actually allows the agencies within their administrative accounts to manage money as they best

The idea that we can't cut 10 percent Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of of the budget only works in government. I spent a big part of my career in

the private sector—over 30 years. I spent quite a period of time with the Chrysler Corporation in the original loan guarantee days, where Lee Iacocca said: If you can't cut 10 percent of your budget, I will find a new manager. We saved the company.

It happens in the real world every day-Lord knows it happened after 2008 and the financial crash—yet somehow we are looking at government agencies and they can't save 10 percent in administrative costs. It is not possible to do it without Armageddon in Financial Services, without a cybersecurity crash, without all the fear-mongering that comes over a simple cut.

If we are ever going to get to the point that we can afford the government we have, we have to have some fiscal limitations. We have to have some responsibility. Rather than these broad strokes of it is indiscriminate, if we target it, that will be a problem,

I urge my colleagues to support an amendment that holds some accountability and saves half a billion dollars in the Federal budget and makes people simply manage within their resources like the rest of the world has

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR (Mr. LUETKE-MEYER). The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. MITCHELL).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chair, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan will be postponed.

AMENDMENT NO. 205 OFFERED BY MR. JENKINS OF WEST VIRGINIA

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 205 printed in House Report 115-297.

Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 360, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$6,000,000)"

Page 384, line 6, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$6,000,000)".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from West Virginia (Mr. JENKINS) and a Member opposed each will control 5

minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from West Virginia.

Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia. Mr. Chairman, HIDTA, the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area, is a critically important program that brings together Federal, State, and local law enforcement, and it is making a difference in my home State and in many parts of the country.

HIDTA is a flexible program that has helped law enforcement afford critical overtime and equipment that they would struggle to afford. This program is tackling our most challenging public health and safety issue of our time: the drug opioid epidemic.

HIDTA is needed. The opioid epidemic is getting worse, and this is not a time to hold back on funding programs that work.

At Thomas Health System in South Charleston, West Virginia, the number of infants born exposed to opioids and other drugs increased from 95 babies in 2013 to 189 babies in 2016. That is an increase of 99 percent in just 4 years.

Overdose death rates continue to climb as well. In my home town in Huntington, overdoses in 2017 have already surpassed the number in 2016. In 2017, there have been 1,250 overdoses, an increase of—get this—450 percent since 2014, a 450 percent increase in 4 years.

Just last year, West Virginia added two new HIDTA counties and another county's application is pending review.

HIDTA works. It is evident, with counties across this country applying to become HIDTA counties, there is demand. We must increase funding for this critical program.

I urge adoption of this amendment.

Mr. Chair, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. BARR). Mr. BARR. Mr. Chairman, I thank Congressman JENKINS for his leader-

ship on this important issue.

Mr. Chairman, I join my colleague from West Virginia in introducing this amendment, which seeks to increase funding to the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program by \$6 million. Frankly, that is not enough, but it is an improvement over the status quo. This program is a proven program, established to help combat the sale and distribution of illegal narcotics.

I am greatly concerned about the current and future well-being of this Nation and States like my home Commonwealth of Kentucky, which, according to the Centers for Disease Control, has the third highest rate of fatalities due to drug overdose in the Nation, falling close behind West Virginia and New Hampshire.

Members of my Sixth Congressional District of Kentucky Drug Abuse Task Force, which is comprised of local, State, and Federal experts in the fields of law enforcement, drug treatment, recovery, education, and prevention efforts, recommended increased funding for HIDTA initiatives to help fight this crisis.

We hear it from our constituents, the heartbreaking stories of loved ones who have succumbed to addiction and the heartbreaking stories of first responders who are called to the scene of overdose deaths.

In 2016 alone, HIDTAs took \$17.3 billion of illicit drugs off the streets and out of our communities, which equates to a return on investment of \$75 for every \$1 in HIDTA budgeted in 2016.

We can prudently use this return on investment to continue to help take narcotic drugs out of our communities while helping to provide funding for treatment and prevention efforts for nonviolent drug abusers.

Mr. Chairman, we all personally know someone who has fallen to addiction by drugs or even fallen victim to a drug overdose. I ask my fellow colleagues to support this important amendment, which would truly make a difference in helping our communities fight this alarming epidemic.

It is a workforce development issue. Many of the employers in Kentucky—and I know, in West Virginia as well—talk about the labor supply difficulties as a result of the addiction crisis, but even worse is the human tragedy.

We know that this works. In Madison County, Kentucky, it has worked. Many other counties are applying for this money, and with that, there is more demand for more funding.

Please support this amendment.

Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia. Mr. Chair, I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, let me close by saying a deep, heartfelt thank you to Congressman BARR from Kentucky. He has been a stalwart in fighting this drug epidemic and supporting efforts like HIDTA.

Mr. Chair, I thank the subcommittee chairman, Chairman GRAVES. He has been terrific in Financial Services. When you think about where we started in this process, he has brought us light-years away in funding for HIDTA.

Mr. Chair, I thank the chairman of the full committee, Chairman Freling-HUYSEN. He has been terrific in, again, restoring much-needed funding.

This amendment, if adopted, is an important final step needed to address this critical issue.

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR (Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois). The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from West Virginia (Mr. JENKINS).

The amendment was agreed to.

AMENDMENT NO. 206 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 206 printed in House Report 115–297.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chair, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 356, line 21, after the dollar amount,

insert "(increased by \$500,000)".

Page 361, line 17, after the dollar amount,

insert "(reduced by \$1,000,000)".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. Jackson Lee) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Texas. \Box 1600

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chairman, my amendment is a very simple proposition of adding \$500,000 to the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, which supports locally based community organizations working to expand economic development, affordable housing, community banking, and financial services. The underpinning of this amendment is to enhance financial literacy, as seen by many of us in our district, as a very important component.

Let me thank the chairman and ranking member for bringing this underlying bill to the floor, and let me indicate that this is a small measure, working with all of the agencies, to ensure that the many elements of financial documents or financial opportunities that low-income communities that low-income communities have, they will be informed and literate about how much to borrow and, as well, what opportunities they can take advantage of.

Certainly, it will be impactful for those of us in areas where we have experienced the severe hurricanes and natural disasters that will be impacting our community for a long time.

The CDFI provides for economic development, job creation, business development, and commercial real estate development, affordable housing, housing development, home ownership, community development, financial services, basic banking services to underserved communities, and financial literacy training.

It also helps Native Americans through providing for financial assistance, technical assistance, and training to Native Americans CDFIs and other Native American entities proposing to become or create CDFIs.

Through these programs, direct investment is provided, supporting and training financial institutions that provide loans, investment financial services, and technical assistance to underserved populations.

And I can assure you that the inequities in banking in low-income communities, the access to banking clearly suggests that more work needs to be done by the CDFI.

Finally, I would make the point that our overall community experienced a major loss of wealth in the last 15 years, starting with the 2007–2008 mortgage debacle, which caused a lot of low-income people to lose wealth. The importance of helping them with financial literacy, I believe, is an important element.

Mr. Chairman, I ask my colleagues to support the Jackson Lee amendment.

Mr. Chair, thank you for this opportunity to speak in support of the Jackson Lee amendment to Division F of H.R. 3354, the "Interior and Environment Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2018."

I wish to commend Chairman GRAVES and Ranking Member QUIGLEY for their work in shepherding this legislation to the floor.

Mr. Chair, the Jackson Lee amendment improves the bill by increasing funding by

\$500,000 to the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund program for people receiving financial assistance and for the responsibilities that this very important subagency has.

Treasury's Community Development Financial Institutions Fund program administers the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, the CDFI.

Through its various programs, the CDFI Fund enables locally-based organizations to further goals such as:

- 1. economic development;
- 2. job creation, business development,
- 3. and commercial real estate development;
- 4. affordable housing;
- 5. housing development and homeowner-ship;
- 6. community development financial services;
- 7. basic banking services to underserved communities; and
 - 8. financial literacy training.

The good news is that this spreads across the Nation, regardless of whether you live in an urban center or the rural countryside.

Through these programs, direct investment is provided supporting and training financial institutions that provide loans, investment financial services, and technical assistance to underserved populations and communities.

From the perspective of Texas, this is a good thing because it emphasizes overall investment and development.

CDFI also serves Native Americans through by providing financial assistance, technical assistance, and training to Native American CDFIs and other Native American entities proposing to become or create CDFIs.

I appreciate very much the support this Committee has been given to CDFI and believe that the modest increase in funding provided by the Jackson Lee amendment will it enable it expand economic opportunity for more communities.

Finally, let us remember that the loss of wealth in rural communities is creating hardships because, like urban dwellers, a substantial portion of their wealth, like, was tied to the value of their homes.

The Jackson Lee amendment is intended to help restore and increase financial health among our individual families and communities.

I urge all Members to support the Jackson Lee amendment.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I rise in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I appreciate the gentlewoman's thoughts and advocacy for communities and developing them, and certainly our thoughts and prayers go to her and her constituencies that have been impacted through the recent hurricanes, as we do with Florida and the other Southeastern States.

This is just one of those tough decisions that there are only limited resources that we had to work with, so we had to make some tough decisions. In fact, there are many areas in this bill that I wish we could provide additional resources for.

But I am glad that we could take this from what was given to us originally, as zeroed out by the President in his recommendation, and we were able to begin backfilling it for these needed loans for communities to allow for some of the development to occur and small businesses to be able to thrive.

So I know that, working with Ranking Member QUIGLEY, we did what we could, and we both wish we could have done more. And I know, as we move forward through the process, we will continue looking at this.

But, again, let me close by saying that I certainly understand the gentle-woman's thoughts on this, and I know that all of the committee supports her sentiment in this case. But because of the reasons I stated, the limited resources, and the tough decisions we had to make, I have to oppose this amendment and urge everyone to vote "no."

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. While, I am clearly disappointed in the response, I am glad that I offered this amendment. I think the position is wrong as it relates to the needs to help individuals who have already suffered an enormous blow.

In particular, financial literacy is an aspect that is certainly needed in low-income communities, and we can see the impact of not having the understanding of various financial opportunities. And the CDFI has done that, and particularly supporting Native Americans among many others.

So I would ask my colleagues to support the Jackson Lee amendment because it is not a lot and it would add to this aspect of financial literacy, which we need.

There are a lot of products that are out there, and I guess I might say that, as much as we have tried, with the Community Reinvestment Act, to assist or to encourage or to push our financial institutions to lend to our many diverse groups, low-income groups and minority populations, it is still a problem in getting access to funds by low-income communities.

So the CDFI and the focused addition that I would add would, in fact, make a major difference, and I would ask my colleagues to support the amendment.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I will close with this. The gentle-woman won't be the first to ever be disappointed in my response, I can assure you that.

But let me just point out for the House here, she is asking for a half-a-million-dollar increase in this fund when, in fact, we increased it by \$176 million over the President's request. So I think that is moving far away from where we started, and to a better spot. And while I wish we could provide a little bit more, we can't.

Mr. Chairman, I urge a "no" vote, and I yield back the balance of my time

The Acting CHAIR (Mr. FRANKS of Arizona). The question is on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. Jackson Lee).

The amendment was rejected.

AMENDMENT NO. 207 OFFERED BY MR. HUIZENGA The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 207 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Chair, I rise to offer an amendment to suspend implementation of section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

At the end of division D (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. ___. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce a rule issued pursuant to section 13(p) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. Huizenga) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Michigan.

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Chairman, this misguided provision in Dodd-Frank requires the Securities and Exchange Commission to mandate that public companies disclose whether so-called "conflict minerals" they use in their products benefit armed groups in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and its nine adjoining countries.

Despite its best intentions, section 1502 has been ineffective and, in some cases, has been shown to have increased violence is central Africa. That is why this suspension that I am proposing passed the House last year as an amendment to the FSGG appropriations bill, and a full repeal of section 1502 passed the House this Congress as part of the Financial CHOICE Act.

Conflict minerals refer to tin, tungsten, tantalum, and gold, which have been used in a variety of products, from cell phones, cosmetics, jewelry, footwear, apparel, and even auto suppliers located in west Michigan.

Mr. Chairman, the breadth of voices opposing section 1502 is remarkable, and I would like to start with those that matter most. For too long, the people of central Africa have been overlooked in this debate, even though they are the ones who suffer from Dodd-Frank's unintended consequences.

I include in the RECORD an open letter from 70 Congolese leaders and other regional experts.

AN OPEN LETTER

Dear governments, companies, non-governmental organisations, and other stake-holders implicated in efforts of various kinds related to the issue of 'conflict minerals',

In early 2014, two international industry giants—Intel and Apple—issued refined corporate social responsibility policies for minerals sourced in the eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). The announcements followed an unprecedented wave of

guidelines, law-making, and initiatives over the past few years to 'clean up' the eastern DRC's mining sector, and were met with widespread praise.

Perhaps the most widely publicised of these efforts is US legislation known as Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act, which asks all companies registered on the US stock market to reveal their supply chains to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) when sourcing minerals from the eastern DRC or neighbouring countries. Canada is in the advanced stages of developing similar legislation, and many other countries are looking closely at the issue. The European Union has introduced a voluntary conflict minerals regulation scheme for all member states, and the United Nations (UN) and Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) have developed guidelines on sourcing natural resources in highrisk areas such as the eastern DRC

These efforts primarily target artisanal (or 'informal') mining in the eastern DRC, due to widespread international recognition that so-called conflict minerals (most notably tin, tantalum, tungsten, and gold) produced by artisanal mining in this part of the world have helped conflict actors generate revenue to finance their operations in the DRC over the past two decades.

THE SITUATION

Despite successes of activists in shaping policy, the conflict minerals campaign fundamentally misunderstands the relationship between minerals and conflict in the eastern DRC. First, while the minerals help perpetuate the conflict, they are not its cause. National and regional political struggles over power and influence as well as issues such as access to land and questions of citizenship and identity are just some of the more structural drivers of conflict. The ability to exploit and profit from minerals is often a means to finance military operations to address these issues, rather than an end in itself. Internal UN assessments, for instance, show that only 8% of the DRC's conflicts are linked to minerals, and specific motivations vary greatly across the vast array of different armed groups.

Second, armed groups are not dependent on mineral revenue for their existence. The eastern DRC is a fully militarised economy, in which minerals are just one resource among many that armed groups—and the national army FARDC—can levy financing from. The M23, until recently the most powerful non-state armed group in DRC, never sought physical control over mining activity

Moreover, few local stakeholders have been included in on-going international policymaking, and as a result realities on the ground have not always been taken into account. Setting up the required systems and procedures to regularly access and audit thousands of artisanal mining sites in isolated and hard-to-reach locations spread across an area almost twice the size of France would be a challenge for any government. In the eastern DRC, where road infrastructure is poor to non-existent and state capacity desperately low, the enormity of the task is hard to overstate. But in demanding that companies prove the origin of minerals sourced in the eastern DRC or neighbouring countries before systems able to provide such proof have been put in place, conflict minerals activists and resultant legislation-in particular Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act-inadvertently incentivize buyers on the international market to pull out of the region altogether and source their minerals elsewhere.

THE RESULT

As a result, the conflict minerals movement has yet to lead to meaningful improve-

ment on the ground, and has had a number of unintended and damaging consequences. Nearly four years after the passing of the Dodd-Frank Act, only a small fraction of the hundreds of mining sites in the eastern DRC have been reached by traceability or certification efforts. The rest remain beyond the pale, forced into either illegality or collapse as certain international buyers have responded to the legislation by going 'Congofree'.

This in turn has driven many miners into the margins of legality (for instance, feeding into smuggling rackets), where armed actors return through the loopholes transnational regulation. Others have simply lost their jobs, and in areas where mining has ceased, local economies have suffered. To put this in context, an estimated eight to ten million people across the country are dependent on artisanal mining for their livelihood. Some former miners have returned to subsistence agriculture, but persisting insecurity levels leave them in abject poverty facing dire living conditions, in fear of missing harvests due to displacement. Others have been prompted to join militias as a means to quick cash in the absence of other opportunities; a particularly perverse impact, when one considers the intentions of the movement.

Alongside the impact on mining communities and local economies, several armed groups have responded by turning to different businesses such as trading in charcoal, marijuana, palm oil, soap, or consumer goods. Those remaining in the mining sector have largely traded mineral exploitation on site for mineral taxation a few steps down the supply chain, operating numerous roadblocks that can bring in millions of dollars a year. Others are reported to have sent in family members or civilian allies to run business for them on site, while they remain safely at a distance.

For the few mining sites fortunate enough to be reached by Joint Assessment Teams responsible for determining their 'conflict-free' status, these teams have been unable to provide the regular, three-month validation visits envisaged in legislation. There is an additional delay of several months following these visits before the Congolese Ministry of Mines reviews and approves the assessment at the national level. Given the speed at which situations can change in volatile enviinfrequent assessments ronments, and lengthy delays raise concerns over the accuracy of certification and the credibility of the system.

More worrying still, multinational corporations such as Apple and Intel are auditing smelters to determine the conflict-free status of the minerals they source, and not the mines themselves. As smelters are located outside of the DRC and audits are not always conducted by third parties, these processes raise further concerns over whether conflict-free certifications reflect production realities.

By far the most advanced site in terms of producing 'conflict-free' minerals for sale to the international market is Kalimbi, a tin mining area home to externally-financed initiatives running an industry-led baggingand-tagging scheme called iTSCi. Yet even here, despite the establishment of a 'closed pipeline' from mine to exportation, the mine still suffers from the sporadic influence of armed actors, and miners are made to bear additional costs of 'conflict-free' schemes. This raises further concerns over the credibility of the system in place, and its suitability for the scale-up and expansion to other, more remote mine sites currently underway. Coupled with slow progress in implementation, the trend towards the monopolisation of 'conflict-free' supply

chain initiatives, in particular traceability by iTSCi, is economically damaging to local populations since it currently excludes and isolates the overwhelming majority of mining communities from legal access to international markets.

THE ALTERNATIVE

There is broad consensus for the need to clean up the eastern Congo's minerals sector, yet much disagreement about the international community's current model for achieving this goal. As such, efforts to improve transparency in the eastern DRC's mineral supply chains should continue. Yet a more nuanced and holistic approach that takes into account the realities of the eastern DRC's mining sector and the complexity of the conflict is needed. To this end, we make the following five recommendations:

Improve consultation with government and communities: Congolese government and civil society were poorly consulted on Section 1502 of the Dodd-Frank Act prior to its passing, and as a result many were unaware of its implications. The few who were consulted were unanimously pro-Dodd-Frank. creating additional conflicts on local levels where endorsement and dissent compete. More Congolese voices must be listened to, and the local context and power structures taken into account. This would ensure greater understanding of the local context and better harmonisation with existing national and regional initiatives, such as the International Conference of the Great Lakes Region's (ICGLR) Regional Initiative against the Illegal Exploitation of Natural Resources.

Work towards meaningful reform: The audit process should be designed to improve policies and practices rather than to just provide window-dressing. The dominant belief that static oversight and validation processes ensure 'conflict-free' mineral trade is misplaced given the volatile security situation in most of the eastern DRC. Both mines and smelters should be regularly inspected and the time period between inspection and certification minimized. Where this is not feasible, additional waivers or similar measures should not be ruled out.

Create incentives towards better practice: Legal frameworks must be supported by real projects on the ground that can meet their requirements. If this is not possible—which is clearly still the case today, nearly four years after the passing of Dodd-Frank—then transition periods must be extended and the lowering of excessively high standards for 'conflict-free' minerals should be considered. Similarly, former conflict actors should be incentivised where appropriate to join new 'conflict-free' schemes. This may help avoid the eventual subversion or infiltration of the 'clean' system put in place, as has been seen to date.

Promote fair competition: Regulation must be based on competition that allows not only international businesses but also Congolese producers to influence (i.e. increase) local price schemes. This in turn would encourage a regime that ensures minimum wages which mining cooperatives can guarantee to their members based on their increased leverage on the price fluctuation.

Widen the lens: Root causes of conflict such as land, identity, and political contest in the context of a militarized economy, rather than a single focus on minerals, must be considered by advocates seeking to reduce conflict violence. Furthermore, efforts to eradicate conflict minerals should not overlook the fact that artisanal mining is a key livelihood in the eastern DRC that holds as much potential to help steer the region away from conflict as it does to contribute towards it. More supportive measures are needed—such as those found in the earlier 2009

draft of the US Conflict Minerals Act—that can help capture the economic potential of artisanal mining. Finally, other critical challenges such as access to credit, technical knowledge, hazardous working conditions, and environmental degradation should not be ignored by multinational corporations if they seek to improve business practices and increase transparency in their supply chains.

So far, progress has been made in producing more ethical products for consumers, but stakeholders have not yet proceeded to improve the lives of Congolese people, nor address the negative impact current 'conflict-free' initiatives are having. If the conflict minerals agenda is to lead to positive change on the ground, legislation passed by national governments and steps such as those outlined by Apple or Intel need to be grounded in a more holistic approach that is better tailored to local realities. Failure to do so will continue to seriously limit the ability of conflict minerals initiatives to improve the daily lives of the eastern Congolese and their neighbours. Worse, these initiatives will risk contributing to rather than alleviating, the very conflicts they set out to address.

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- All the signatories listed express their support to the open letter in its above form but not necessarily approve of accompanying opinion pieces and/or explanatory notes, which remain their respective authors' views
- Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Chair, they state in the letter that section 1502 provisions "... inadvertently incentivize buyers on the international market to pull out of the region altogether and source their minerals elsewhere.
- "As a result, the conflict minerals movement has yet to lead to meaningful improvement on the ground, and has had a number of unintended and damaging consequences."

Dodd-Frank's impact on African miners may seem unimportant to many rich-country activists, but in the Congo, it has been the question of life or death.

According to a Washington Post article entitled "How a well-intentioned U.S. law left Congolese miners jobless," section 1502 "set off a chain of events that has propelled millions of Congolese miners and their families deeper into poverty."

The article goes on to share the story of how a Congolese teenager could no longer feed himself after Dodd-Frank ravaged the country's mining sector, forcing the young man to actually join an armed group; the outcome diametrically opposed in the goal of section 1502.

Mr. Chairman, no one can claim that these effects were unforeseeable. In fact, in a letter to the SEC commenting on section 1502, leaders from three Congolese mining cooperatives predicted that the conflict minerals rule would lead to a devastating boycott.

These miners wrote: "We cannot continue to suffer any longer. Do we now have to choose between dying by a bullet or starving to death?"

I ask my colleagues to remember the Congolese aren't alone in their suffering. The SEC's rules apply to nine other nations as if they were all one single country. Section 1502 treats over 230 million Africans living in 10 distinct nations as one undifferentiated group.

Dodd-Frank's supporters will say that at this point, some countries neighboring Congo may help smuggle minerals on behalf of armed groups, which is why we need to paint with such a broad brush. But I would ask my colleagues to name another example where a country's economy and each of its neighbors is targeted due to a presumed smuggling risk.

Do we design Russia sanctions to apply to each of its 14 adjoining countries, too?

Do Iranian sanctions implicate all seven of its neighbors?

Perhaps advocates for section 1502 believe that there is no smuggling from Russia and Iran, but the real issue seems to be this: Dodd-Frank supporters have no problem treating Africans differently from other regions of the world.

I find that troubling. So now let's consider implementation of section 1502 itself.

In April of this year, the GAO reported that section 1502 has produced little meaningful information on conflict mineral sourcing. It found that more than half of the companies in 2016 couldn't even determine what country their minerals came from. Most importantly, virtually none of the companies could tell whether their minerals benefited armed groups, a conclusion that echoed GAO's findings from 2015 and 2014 as well.

No wonder companies can't figure this out, Mr. Chairman. Even the Department of Commerce has reported that it is unable to determine whether smelters around the world use minerals traceable to armed groups. In other words, Dodd-Frank is asking U.S. companies—some of which are very small and medium-sized entrepreneurs in large corporations' supply chains—to produce information that even the Federal Government can't provide.

As if that weren't enough, the courts also struck down parts of section 1502 for violating companies' First Amendment rights.

The Trump administration's SEC has had enough of section 1502 failures, and is now reexamining the conflict mineral rule. The State Department is now conducting a review to see how responsible sourcing can be undertaken more effectively. The amendment I am offering today would suspend section 1502 while the administration completes its assessment.

Mr. Chairman, the facts I have laid out on section 1502 aren't partisan, and a suspension shouldn't be either. So let me close with the words of Barack Obama's Securities and Exchange Commission Chair, Mary Jo White, who, in 2013, said: "Seeking to improve safety in mines for workers or to end horrible human rights atrocities in the DRC are compelling objectives, which, as a cit-

izen, I wholeheartedly share. But as Chair of the Securities and Exchange Commission, I must question, as a policy matter, using the Federal securities laws and the SEC's powers of mandatory disclosure to accomplish these goals."

It should tell us something when even Democrats' own Securities and Exchange Commission Chair warns that Dodd-Frank overreached on conflict minerals. A suspension would be something that Republicans and Democrats can agree on, and I urge my colleagues to support this amendment.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Chairman, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentlewoman from Wisconsin is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. MOORE. Oh my, my, my, Mr. Chairman, and my good friend from Michigan. The fact of the matter is that section 1502 is, in fact, working. The GAO report that Mr. HUIZENGA referred to actually said that the civil war and conflict is, in fact, diminishing as section 1502 is being implemented. It is working better and sooner than I thought it would be.

Just a little bit of a refresher course for you, Mr. Chairman. The minerals contained in consumer electronics that we all use—TVs, cell phones—are fueling war and conflict in the Congo. And I am not talking about a little skirmish here. I am talking about, we are funding armed militias, and it is a civil war on a scale of deaths that compare with World War II, and notable for its brutality, its savagery, its mutilation, rape.

I can tell you that our good GOP friends say that it is a laudable goal to stop these civil wars, but it just doesn't belong in securities law; the logic being the transparency doesn't belong in security law.

Oh, okay. Well, I can tell you that companies find that it is material, a security term of art, whether their brand is tarnished with literally the blood of children and enslaved workers that are standing there, I would suspect, with some of these Congolese who want section 1502 to go away, who are running these armed militias for profit. So do consumers and so do investors. Hence, the rise of socially-conscious mutual funds that are regulated by the SEC.

I notice that my comrades have not introduced—there's nothing in this amendment that would provide for ending this kind of civil war on the scale of World War II in their amendment.

I want to say, because of the United States' leadership on conflict minerals, the EU and China are enacting their own versions of implementing prohibitions against the receipt of conflict minerals. This amendment puts America last in world leadership.

I do realize the gentleman had the right to close, but his time having been consumed, I will go on to report to you,

Mr. Chairman, that more than 75 percent of the world's smelters for the four minerals now have passed conflict-free audits. Companies are putting this in place and they are finding that they are happy with it; that the costs of implementing it are less than they thought it would be, much less than they thought it would be; and they are receiving a premium for these metals if they can, in fact, report that they are conflict-free.

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According to the United Nations, as of 2016, over three-quarters of 3T miners surveyed in eastern Congo are working in mines where there is no armed group standing over them. That is according to an independent study.

Today, 78 percent of the world's smelters for the four minerals have now passed conflict-free audits, or 253 smelters in total. The record is abundantly clear. Section 1502 is working.

Now, he talked about Congolese leaders who don't like it. These are people who are profiting from the armed conflict, but there are Congolese communities and leaders who support section 1502 because they are seeing the improvements in security and rule of law.

For example, Justine Masika Bihamba, the coordinator of Synergy of Women for Victims of Sexual Violence says: "Ten years ago, we were under the de facto control of armed groups. Today, let's admit we are a long way from that. And if we are honest, that is in part because of Dodd-Frank."

Bishop Nicolas Djomo came before our committee and said: "We urge the U.S. business community to account for the gruesome social costs of the illicit mining as they calculate their cost for compliance with section 1502."

There is a moral dimension to this that we cannot ignore. If we want to make America great again, let's not cede our moral authority on this issue.

Mr. Chairman, I would ask my colleagues to vote against this amendment, and I yield back the balance of my time

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. HUIZENGA).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan will be postponed.

It is now in order to consider amendment No. 208 printed in House Report 115–297.

AMENDMENT NO. 211 OFFERED BY MR. HECK

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 211 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. HECK. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.
The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk wil designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 348, line 18, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$3,800,000)".

Page 447, line 13, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$3.800.000)".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Washington (Mr. HECK) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Washington.

Mr. HECK. Mr. Chairman, I rise today to offer a bipartisan amendment in support of the Small Business Administration's ScaleUp program. Like many of you, one of my favorite things to do when I am back home is to visit local businesses, businesses like Beech Tree Woodworks in Olympia, which just invested in some amazing new cutting-edge machinery; or Zoe Juice Bar in Olympia, which opened with just four employees not that long ago, and they now have more than a dozen, and they are still growing.

These businesses have all expanded with the help of SBA's ScaleUp program. ScaleUp is a program that gives small businesses the tools they need to become not so small anymore. It works within existing community networks to provide the education and technical assistance and access to capital that small businesses need to grow.

I include in the RECORD an article from my hometown newspaper which discusses the positive impact ScaleUp has had on our community.

WHY IS TRUMP'S PRO-BUSINESS ADMINISTRA-TION HURTING BUSINESSES IN THURSTON COUNTY?

(By Rolf Boone)

President Donald Trump once declared that he would be the "greatest jobs president that God ever created."

After a recent decision to cut a business owner training program in Thurston County—and 14 other locations around the country—some might question Trump's claim.

"The program was under review by the Trump Administration and the decision was made to let the program expire in its entirety at the end of September," said Melanie Norton, a spokeswoman for the Northwest region of the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Locally, the program was known as ScaleUp Thurston, a multi-week course that helped businesses beyond the start-up stage grow.

The two-year-old program was based in Lacey at the Center for Business & Innovation, a partnership of the Thurston Economic Development Council, its business resource center and South Puget Sound Community College. Celia Nightingale is the director of the center.

ScaleUp received about \$200,000 a year from the SBA, she said.

The decision to discontinue the program clearly was not data driven because it produced results, with businesses increasing their revenue and adding employees, Nightingale said.

"I find it hard to believe," said Kevin Leneker about the decision. Leneker is chief executive of Olympia-based Single Handed Consulting, a vocational rehabilitation business that helps injured workers return to work. After participating in ScaleUp in 2016, his revenue grew 57 percent and he increased his staff to 25 from 10.

The course taught him to step back and think bigger picture about the future of his business.

"Work on your business, not just in it," he said.

Jason Phillips, owner of Zoe Juice Bar in Olympia, also took part in ScaleUp.

Phillips said the course allowed him to fine-tune his business systems and procedures. It also introduced him to other business owners and the importance of networking. His juice bar opened in December 2013, followed by a production space for coldpressed juice in Tumwater. His business opened with four employees. He now has 12–14, he said.

"It's really disappointing," he said. "It was a great resource for small businesses, and small business represents jobs and families"

"You feel like you had a friend in your corner," he added about ScaleUp.

ScaleUp may have been viewed as a duplication of services already offered by the SBA's Small Business Development Center, Nightingale said.

Leneker praised the services of the Small Business Development Center, but he thinks there was little overlap.

"Not even close." he said.

Nightingale said the current ScaleUp program will run through Sept. 29. After that, the plan is to seek grants and corporate sponsorships to keep it going, she said.

Perhaps the city of Lacey will step up with some funding.

Lacey City Council recently learned about ScaleUp's end after Councilwoman Rachel Young, a small business owner who serves on the Thurston EDC board, reported the news to a stunned council on July 13. That led business owner and Mayor Andy Ryder to wonder aloud about possibly funding the program.

It wouldn't be the first time the city has stepped up when the federal government would not. The city led the creation and funding of the Veterans Services Center Hub.

Mr. HECK. SBA currently plans to phase out this program at the end of this fiscal year—in other words, in 17 more days. After hearing from so many people whom it has benefited, I felt compelled to offer this amendment which will provide the funding to continue ScaleUp for another year.

ScaleUp communities can be found at every corner of America: in Texas, Pennsylvania, Florida, Maine, Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Arizona. I thank my friend from Arizona, Ms. McSally, for working with me on this bipartisan effort.

Mr. Chairman, we are in a tough budget environment. I get that. But that makes it all the more important that we focus on programs that have been proven to be a good investment, programs like ScaleUp.

Mr. Chair, I urge the adoption of this amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Chairman, I rise in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Ohio is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Chairman, I rise, as I say, in opposition to this amendment. The proposed amendment offered by my colleague from Washington would increase funds appropriated for

the Small Business Administration's entrepreneurial development programs by \$3.8 million for the purpose of restoring funding to the SBA's ScaleUp initiative, which the SBA itself discontinued in fiscal year 2017.

The ScaleUp initiative was never congressionally authorized, and, as such, has never been subject to congressional oversight.

As the chairman of the Committee on Small Business, I am a staunch supporter of the SBA's efforts to increase access to training and counseling to our developing small businesses and to the next generation of entrepreneurs. It is also my responsibility to ensure that these programs are run efficiently and in the best interest of the American taxpayer. They are actually the ones footing the bill for every one of these programs. That is why, even though it can sometimes be tough, we have to balance these programs with limited budgets and always being aware that we have now a \$20 trillion debt hanging over our heads.

As the ScaleUp initiative has never been subject to a congressional hearing nor congressional review, I believe it would be irresponsible to authorize taxpayer dollars to fund this program and must respectfully oppose this amendment.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to do the same, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HECK. Mr. Chairman, the fact of the matter is that our constituents were only informed 5 short weeks ago that ScaleUp was ending in 2 months. This amendment is the only recourse available given that very short timeframe, and because evidence-based measures of ScaleUp performance are all very positive, none of us had any reason to believe that the program would not continue, and the announcement came as a complete surprise to all of us.

The fact of the matter is, I don't agree with the decision of the Small Business Administration, and it is our job as a function of our oversight and check and balance responsibility to pursue our disagreement, as it were, because their decision flies in the face of the evidence.

I would argue that the appropriation process exists so that Congress can exercise this independent oversight of the spending priorities of the executive branch and assert itself in exactly this sort of a circumstance.

Mr. Chair, I would dearly love to work with the chair of the Small Business Committee on legislation to specifically authorize the ScaleUp program, but that is a longer term issue. This program will end at the end of this month if we don't act now, taking away a very valuable program that is working—evidence, metrics, measurable. It is getting the job done.

Why wouldn't we pass this amendment, it is fully offset, there is no increased spending here, and have the existing program continue while we work on a more permanent solution.

Mr. Chair, with all due respect, I would urge my colleagues to support this amendment in the name of helping small businesses grow. Two out of every three jobs created in America are created by small businesses. This program, ScaleUp, has been proven to work. There is not one shred of evidence that has been offered here today to suggest it isn't doing the job for which it was intended to do.

Please, support this amendment, support small businesses, support your check and balance responsibility, support the creation of jobs.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chair, I appreciate the gentleman from Washington's comments, and, as chair of the House Small Business Committee, I will certainly be willing to work with him and his staff to see if there is any ability down the road to reconsider this program.

That being said, we do have a new administration who has looked at this and many other programs very carefully. Being aware, again, that we have a considerable deficit every year and a \$20 trillion debt hanging over our heads, something has to go, and there are a whole bunch of somethings in the budget that this administration is looking at because they are serious about this.

I definitely agree with the gentleman's comments about the importance of small businesses and promoting them in this country. About half of the people in America in the private sector work for, by definition, a small business. About 70 percent of the new jobs created in America are created by small businesses. There are 29 million small businesses all across America. They are contained in all 435 of our congressional districts. They are absolutely key.

We have a history, and I think most Members who deal with the Small Business Committee realize this, of working in a bipartisan manner—the ranking member, NYDIA VELÁZQUEZ who is from New York, myself now the chair, and I have been the ranking member under her in the past, so we really do work together on these, as do the other members of the committee.

We are willing to take a look at this down the road, but I would just have to reiterate my initial comment here is that I have to urge my colleagues, at this point, to oppose this amendment along with the administration and the Small Business Administration itself, which does oppose this amendment.

Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Washington (Mr. HECK).

The amendment was rejected.

The Acting CHAIR. The Chair understands that amendment No. 212 will not be offered.

The Chair understands that amendment No. 213 will not be offered.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chair, as the designee of Ranking Member Lowey, I move to strike the last word.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Illinois is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chairman, I yield to the gentleman from Washington (Mr. KILMER), the distinguished vice ranking member of the Appropriations Committee, for the purpose of entering into a colloquy.

Mr. KILMER. Mr. Chair, when I am at home, I don't hear anyone say, Let's make it easier for folks to use big money to influence elections, and yet there are provisions in this spending bill that would do just that.

My colleagues across the aisle are putting these provisions into this spending bill because they know that shocking our political system with even more money is incredibly unpopular, and these provisions would never pass if they were given an up-or-down vote in their own right; therefore, I am standing up today for restoring accountability for campaign spending and highlighting the two provisions that should not be in this bill.

First, we need some sunlight in this murky world of campaign spending. 501(c)(4) groups can play fast and loose in our elections, and I want to be sure that they are actually working on issues that impact the people I represent, not trying to get their preferred candidates elected. And yet this legislation that we are voting on ensures that the IRS will not have the authority to look into groups that might be flouting the rules, and that is wrong.

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Unfortunately, secondly, we have also seen the Federal Election Commission struggle to enforce our campaign finance laws. This was a body that was created after Watergate to make sure politicians don't cheat. The Commission was designed to be the people's advocate in our elections, and yet, unfortunately, it has seen more gridlock than Congress.

The Federal Election Commission is once again undermined in this bill because the bill says that the Commission cannot enforce any rules regarding how certain special interests are able to raise money. We should not be making it easier for political action committees to raise additional money from a few wealthy individuals without Federal Election Commission oversight.

We should be voting on campaign finance laws that strengthen the integrity of our elections, not bills like this that weaken it. So my hope is that we can chart a new course, a better course, and one that brings people power back to these hallowed Halls rather than, again, giving more power to the deepest pockets and to special interests.

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Chair, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 218 printed in House Report 115–297.

AMENDMENT NO. 221 OFFERED BY MR. AMODEI The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 221 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. AMODEI. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

In title IX, strike section 906.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. AMODEI) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Nevada.

Mr. AMODEI. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself 1 minute.

One size does not fit all. As an enthusiastic supporter of the CHOICE Act, I must confess it is not perfect. You have been told all financial regulators should be subject to the power of the Federal purse. Well, this regulatory agency, the National Credit Union Administration, uses no Federal funds to operate, to administer, or to manage the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund—let me repeat, uses no Federal funds.

Now, when nontaxpayer funds are required to be federally appropriated, hopefully, this strikes you as an odd idea. But when the funds in question are placed under the appropriations process and are subject to being swept for other Federal spending measures, I hope that bothers you—not strikes you as odd, but bothers you.

Credit union member-generated insurance funds are now, by virtue of being put into the appropriations process, subject to being swept for other Federal spending processes.

Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from California (Mr. AGUILAR).

Mr. AGUILAR. Mr. Chairman, I would like to thank my colleague from Nevada.

I would like to just take a moment to weigh in on the amendment that my colleague, Mr. Amodel, and I introduced that would maintain the NCUA's current funding structure.

The NCUA is funded, as he said, through fees paid by credit unions. Subjecting them to the annual appropriations process unnecessarily involves Congress in a process that functions fine the way it is.

The NCUA is not synonymous with big, for-profit institutions. The NCUA is a not-for-profit structure and plays a critical role in communities throughout this country. If they are forced to go through the appropriations process, then local buy-in is trumped by the Federal Government. If anything, this would further complicate the funding process and decrease, not increase, transparency.

Forcing the NCUA into this process is an attempt to fix a problem that doesn't exist. They are one of the only regulatory bodies that is both an insurer and regulator, and its unique structure should be reflected in the way that the operations are funded.

Mr. AMODEI. Mr. Chair, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chairman, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from Missouri is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, this amendment strikes a provision that subjects the National Credit Union Administration to the annual congressional appropriations process.

My point this afternoon is that Congress must restore its power of the purse, one of the most potent tools the Constitution gives Congress for conducting oversight of Federal agencies and implementing reforms. There can be no consent of the governed if the American people, through their democratically elected representatives have no say in how their government spends their hard-earned dollars.

We must not miss the opportunity to reestablish separation of powers and restore Article I authority, which Congress has given away in so many instances that the administration now has more power than the legislative branch.

The NCUA is a prime example of why it is time to reassert Congress' power of the purse. Accountability and transparency was so lacking under former Chairman Debbie Matz' tenure that, over the course of her tenure, the NCUA budget increased each year, in some cases by double-digit percentages. The Financial Services Committee, in fact, was forced to hold a public hearing during the 114th Congress.

NCUA should not be singled out to avoid accountability to Congress. The CHOICE Act, which was passed by the House with overwhelming support—and the Congressman from Nevada's support as well—subjects all Federal financial regulators to the same congressional appropriations process, including NCUA. There is no reason to single out the NCUA for different treatment from all other regulators, all of whom the House has already voted on to put on appropriations just 3 months ago.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. AMODEI. Mr. Chairman, with all due respect to my colleague from the financial institution folks, one of the things in the CHOICE Act is the Mick Mulvaney-generated transparency amendments that we are not trying to strike. It is not like we are hiding anything. And I missed the part where it says, oh, the fact that they are not taxpayer funds makes it okay that we go ahead and try to sweep those into that.

I also missed the fact, quite frankly, that this is different than something like the Bureau of Consumer Protection folks who were an out-of-control executive branch agency using federally appropriated funds to do as they darn well please.

I missed the fact where we have got a problem with credit unions taking care of their own administration and their own insurance.

And I, finally, missed the fact where, quite frankly, we have absolutely no problem with respect to these folks' performance record.

So when you talk about going out and getting nontaxpayer-generated funds and saying we are going to bring those—by the way, good luck for these folks to get under our budgeting process. I won't say anything more than that. Mr. Chairman Good luck

Whose budget are they going under? Who are we waiting for approval so we can say keep doing the things the way you were?

So I will just say that this is a problem that does not exist with a solution that is being applied because of other regulators, which I agree with, but it is like to suggest, quite frankly, that the CHOICE Act was perfect and doesn't need a second look on a small thing like this, I mean, hats off to the committee. It is the only perfect committee I know of that has ever existed.

Mr. Chair, I am prepared to close, and I will just say this: We ought to take a look at what track records are. And when we take a look at that and we look at unintended consequences, when you start branching out, for those of you folks in Production Credit Association territory and things like that and the budget issues and all of that other sort of stuff, it is like these folks are doing a good job. Let's let them continue to do that.

Mr. Chairman, I would urge your bipartisan, nationwide support, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. AMODEI).

The amendment was agreed to.

AMENDMENT NO. 222 OFFERED BY MR. KILDEE

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 222 printed in House Report 115–297.

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 375, strike line 19 and all that follows through page 376, line 6.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Michigan.

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Chair, well, this amendment is actually quite simple. It says that U.S. taxpayers should not subsidize coal-fired power plants built in other countries.

Under the Obama administration, the Treasury Department issued guidance saying that the United States, through multilateral development banks, would no longer fund or support the construction of such plants in foreign countries. Unfortunately, President Trump has rolled back these efforts, and, in essence, the Trump administration is saying to the American people that American tax dollars should go overseas to subsidize fossil fuels and coalfired power plants.

I support, as many in this body do on both sides of the aisle, the efforts of multilateral development banks. In fact, the use of America's power in that sense, through entities such as the World Bank, is a great way for us to contribute to development across the globe and use that soft power in a way that potentially keeps us from having to go in a different direction. But we should not be using U.S. dollars on projects that subsidize foreign sources of pollution that contribute to increased carbon in our atmosphere and worsen climate change.

Now, there are some that say that the science is not settled on this question. The people who are saying that, I am not quite sure where they are getting their science. Climate change is real. We really don't need a lot of evidence, even recently, to reinforce the notion that climate change is real. Extreme weather events are real, and they are making that point in ways that no discussion on this floor could ever do. Unfortunately, experts are telling us it is only going to get worse.

Congress should not be encouraging the use of American taxpayer dollars to support coal-fired plants overseas. This amendment takes a stand and says that we will not support these sorts of irresponsible projects.

Here in Congress we continually advocate for the responsible use of tax-payer dollars. And for the most part on this floor, we continue to advocate for efforts that will reduce carbon emissions in order to protect the environment, not just for ourselves, but for generations to come.

Using American dollars to support coal plants in developing countries is not responsible. It is not a responsible use of taxpayer dollars. It is not good for our environment.

Mr. Chair, I encourage my colleagues to join me in supporting this amendment, and I reserve the balance of my

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chair, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chair, it is anti-coal policies such as this that result in a market loss for American coal and clean coal technology and cut off, really, quite frankly, an affordable, reliable source of energy that is critical to economic development in struggling regions of the world.

This section 133 does not mandate coal-fired generation for U.S.-funded international development projects. It

just simply ensures that coal can continue to be a part of our country's longstanding energy strategy.

Abandoning support for fossil fuels hurts American jobs, and it slows American innovation.

It is for those reasons, Mr. Chairman, I would urge a "no" vote on this amendment, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Chairman, I am prepared to close.

I just encourage my colleagues to think about this as an opportunity to stand up for the environment, stand up for responsible use of the American tax dollar, and keep in mind that we work really hard here on this floor to develop policy in this country that does not pass on to future generations a planet that is at greater risk than the one we inherited.

When it comes to the use of U.S. taxpayer dollars going overseas, we ought to be able to clearly say that those dollars should be used in a way that contributes to the development of those nations, but in a way that does not undermine the quality of life across the globe and across the decades and centuries to come.

Mr. Chair, I urge my colleagues to support this amendment, and I yield back the balance of my time.

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The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE).

The amendment was rejected.

AMENDMENT NO. 223 OFFERED BY MS. JACKSON LEE

The Acting CHAIR. It is now in order to consider amendment No. 223 printed in House Report 115–297.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Page 360, line 14, insert "(increased by 500,000)" before "shall".

Page 361, line 17, insert "(decreased by \$1,000,000)" before ", of which".

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to House Resolution 504, the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. Jackson Lee) and a Member opposed each will control 5 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Texas.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chairman, I thank the managers of this legislation.

Mr. Chairman, any Member of Congress or any elected official has had the sad duty of going to a child's funeral. Most of us in the Christian faith have heard maybe the same words said often in the place of worship and in the funeral service, no matter who it is, and that is that a child should not go before their parents. We have seen the brokenness and, of course, the absolute despair of that family that has lost a child

Unfortunately, as we have found in Hurricane Harvey, when people have looted victims of the hurricane, it is unfortunate that bad things can happen to good people.

So the families of deceased children are victimized. They are saddened by the loss of their child, whether it is an accident that is tragic or a sickness; and then, because those names are printed and become public, they are victimized again.

Alexis Agin was 4 years old when she died last year from a brain tumor. As her parents grieved from their daughter's loss, someone else paid attention to the details of her death, too. An identity thief was easily able to get Alexis' personal information after she died. Her parents had no inkling until they went to file their taxes, then to their astonishment and despair, they learned that someone else had already filed a tax return using Alexis' Social Security number and claiming her as a dependent.

The Agins soon learned they were one of many. They said: "Within an hour of learning that my daughter's Social Security number had been compromised and stolen, no fewer than 14 other parents whose children passed away due to cancer contacted us and advised us that their children's Social Security numbers, likewise, had been stolen."

Americans are told to jealously guard their Social Security numbers, but after one dies, the government goes public with that coveted information. It is included on the Death Master List.

Mr. Chairman, I include in the RECORD an article from ABC News entitled "When Loved Ones Die, Their Identity is There for the Taking."

[From ABC News, May 8, 2012] When Loved Ones Die, Their Identity Is There for the Taking

(By Lisa Stark)

Alexis Agin was 4 years old when she died last year from a brain tumor. As her parents grieved their daughter's loss, someone else paid attention to the details of her death too

An identity thief was easily able to get Alexis' personal information after she died. Her parents had no inkling until they went to file their taxes. Then, to their astonishment, they learned that someone else had already filed a tax return, using Alexis' Social Security number and claiming her as a dependent.

The Agins soon learned they were one of many. "Within an hour of learning that my daughter's Social Security number had been compromised and stolen," said Jonathan Agin, "no fewer than 14 other parents whose children passed away due to cancer contacted us and advised us that their children's Social Security numbers likewise had been stolen."

Americans are told to jealously guard their Social Security numbers, but after one dies, the government goes public with that coveted information. It is all included on a Master Death List.

"This is a database of more than 80 million records that the Social Security Administration maintains of all the deaths in the country. And that information is actually publicly available," said John Breyault at the National Consumers League. "Consumers

can go online, on any number of sites, and get full name, date of birth and full Social Security number, which we call the holy trinity of personally identifiable information."

The list is used by banks, credit agencies and others to try to prevent identity theft after someone dies. However, a court case in the 1970s forced the Social Security Administration to make the list public, under Freedom of Information Act laws. "Unfortunately, dead people don't have any privacy rights," said Breyault, "That information, once you're dead, is publicly available information."

"Within 30 seconds of learning that my daughter's Social Security number had been stolen, I went online and found her Social Security number," Agin told ABC News. "All the information is there."

Breyault of the National Consumer League showed ABC News just how easy it was. He sat down with me at a computer and pulled up a wealth of information on my husband, who died of cancer last year. My tax refund for this year has now been held up because someone else filed a return, apparently using my husband's Social Security number The Internal Revenue Service said it might be a simple mistake by the other taxpayer, not a case of identity fraud. The agency, however, can't yet tell me for sure as it works to unravel the situation.

Today on Capitol Hill, the House Ways and Means' Subcommittees on Social Security and Identity Theft held a hearing on this growing problem.

In his testimony, Russell George, the Treasury inspector general for tax administration, told lawmakers that while processing tax returns in 2011, the IRS managed to flag and stop 940,000 returns that appeared to involve identity theft. The refunds requested on those returns totaled \$6.5 billion

quested on those returns totaled \$6.5 billion. George told lawmakers, "There is much more fraud that it [the IRS] does not detect." The inspector general "identified approximately 1.5 million additional undetected tax returns with potentially fraudulent tax refunds totaling in excess of \$5.2 billion," said George. Those refunds were paid out. "If not addressed, we estimate the IRS could issue approximately \$26 billion in fraudulent tax refunds resulting from identity theft over the next five years," he testified

The IRS told ABC News that it believes that five-year estimate is "far too high. The estimate was based on figures from 2010, before the IRS instituted major changes in the way it handles identity theft cases," the agency said. "Our increased compliance and prevention efforts mean we are stopping more refund fraud than ever before."

The Social Security Administration had recently taken steps to cut back on the Master Death List information it releases publicly, leaving off the decedent's state and ZIP code. And the IRS said it has installed identity theft screening filters on its computer systems to flag suspicious returns. "Fighting identity theft will be an ongoing battle for the IRS and one we cannot afford to let up on," said Steven Miller, an IRS deputy commissioner, in written testimony.

Late last year, the IRS established a special taxpayer protection unit to help handle identity theft cases. But George testified that those trying to file their 2011 taxes found it difficult to get through to the unit. "The unit received more than 86,000 calls during the 2012 filing season, but has only been able to answer about 21,000," said George. And according to his testimony, the average phone wait time for taxpayers was almost one hour.

Taxpayers caught in this mess are forced to prove their loved one's identity to the IRS. Agin said he had to provide evidence to show the IRS that his late daughter was his child. Some cases have taken up to a year to resolve.

Congress is considering a number of bills that would limit access to the Master Death List For Agin and the hundreds of thousands of other taxpayers who have been victims of this fraud, it can't come soon enough. "It's bad enough losing your child to any type of disease, cancer in any manner," said Agin, "but then have somebody steal their identify, the last remaining vestige of your child, it's horrible."

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chairman, there is no dedicated person in the IRS to deal with these broken and grieving families, so they simply become victims. By the time they find out, someone has bought a house, someone has taken their luxury vacation, got many credit cards, and used this dead child to abuse this family again.

The Jackson Lee amendment is simple. What it does is it provides a dedicated person, funding to the IRS Taxpayer Advocate Service for the purpose of assisting the parents of a deceased child where that child's identifying information has been stolen and fraudulently used on a personal income tax return filed with the IRS.

It is a simple request, Mr. Chairman. If the Taxpayer Advocate Service office is what it is, and if anyone has tried to use it, including Members of Congress, we know there needs to be a dedicated person just to answer the phone of the grieving parent who finds out through IRS filing that they are being abused again and their beautiful angel is being used for other and evil works of someone who would use that deceased child to their advantage.

Mr. Chairman, I ask my colleagues to support the amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. Chair, thank you for this opportunity to speak in support of the Jackson Lee Amendment to Division D of the Rules Committee Print 115–31, which makes appropriations for Fiscal Year 2018, "H.R. 3354, the "Interior and Environment Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2018."

I wish to commend Chairman GRAVES and Ranking Member QUIGLEY for their work in shepherding this legislation to the floor.

Mr. Chair, the Jackson Lee Amendment is simple but provides an important and necessary protection for grieving parents.

The Jackson Lee Amendment is intended to ensure that the IRS Tax Advocate Service has adequate resources to assist parents of a deceased child whose Social Security Number was stolen by tax cheats and used on a federal tax return to receive an Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC).

The Jackson Lee Amendment is intended to be a compassionate use of IRS funds to help grieving parents navigate the process of reclaiming their child's identity from tax cheats.

This amendment is necessary when we consider the story of little Alexis Agin who was just 4 years old when she died of a brain tumor in 2011.

As her parents grieved, someone stole Alexis' identity to commit tax fraud.

Alexis' parents did not discover the crime until they filed their taxes.

The sad fact is Alexis' parents are not alone—they were one of at least 14 other parents whose children died of cancer and learned that their child's Social Security number had been stolen by tax thieves.

Nearly all of us understand the importance of safeguarding our Social Security numbers, but after someone dies Social Security numbers are published on a national online registry called the Master Death List.

The Master Death List registry exists to alert businesses and financial institutions to not renew credit cards or create new credit in a deceased person's name.

But it also alerts thieves of opportunities to steal identities and commit tax fraud.

As reported by the San Francisco Chronicle identity thieves have stolen the tax refunds of more than 490,000 dead persons since 2008.

The thieves typically claim that a dead person is their dependent when they file tax returns.

In Fiscal Year 2012, the IRS initiated approximately 900 identity theft related criminal investigations, triple the number of investigations initiated in FY 2011.

Direct investigative time applied to identity theft related investigations increased by 129 percent over that same period.

On July 30, 2013, in St. Louis, Missouri, Tania Henderson was convicted of theft of government funds and aggravated identity theft and sentenced to 144 months in prison and ordered to pay \$835,883 in restitution to the U.S. Treasury.

According to her plea agreement and other court documents, Henderson stole the identities of more than 400 individuals, many of whom were deceased, and filed fraudulent tax returns using their names and Social Security account numbers.

The theft of identities of deceased children for the purpose of committing tax fraud is a sad fact that too many parents have to face while they are attempting to cope with the tragedy of losing their child.

The Jackson Lee Amendment will help ensure that the IRS Tax Advocate Service has the resources needed to assist these grieving parents with filing the last tax return where their child's name will be listed as being a member of their household.

I urge all Members to support the Jackson Lee Amendment, which would be a compassionate use of IRS funds.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, I claim the time in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Chairman, as we come to the last amendment on the last bill of this appropriations season, I was hoping we could end it on a positive note. Unfortunately, I have to oppose this amendment. I respect the gentlewoman's thoughts on this. It is a compelling story that she shared with us, and a lot of families have been impacted by identity theft. It is certainly something that concerns me and our entire committee.

We have worked through this. In fact, in May of this year, I held an oversight hearing and questioned top officials about this and their efforts to reduce identity theft. Additionally, the Financial Services bill that we are

speaking of here includes targeted funds to combat identity theft as well as additional reporting requirements to monitor the IRS's progress in this area.

In fact, overall identity theft referrals from the Taxpayer Advocate are down. They are down right now. It is not perfect. They are not at zero, but they are moving in the right direction, as are inventory receipts in the IRS Identity Theft Victim Assistance office.

Our committee—myself, along with Mr. QUIGLEY and the entire committee—have had to make a lot of tough funding choices throughout this season. It has not been easy. There are a lot of very worthy programs that we wish we can fund more. Unfortunately, we just can't do all that has been requested by all the Members who have a lot of great and creative ideas to help taxpayers and our constituents.

But in this case with this line item, we didn't cut anything. In fact, it has been flat-funded. It is at the same level that was funded last year, and that comes in a portion of our appropriations budget here that we are talking about. It is being cut, on average, 6-plus percent overall. This one line item, though, remains static, and that should speak a lot to our committee and their work to find ways in which to provide additional resources to combat identity theft.

Mr. Chairman, as we wrap this up, I want to thank you and everyone else for their patience today over the last many weeks. I thank the Committee on Appropriations Chairman Frelinghuysen and all the great work by the House of Representatives as we wrap up this final amendment with my opposition to the amendment. I urge the House to vote "no."

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. How much time is remaining. Mr. Chairman.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentlewoman from Texas has 1 minute remaining.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chairman, last time I was on the floor, I mentioned that I was disappointed, and my friend on the other side made a remark that we all come here disappointed. I am saddened by the comment that he made earlier, and I am saddened by his response now because this is simply asking for a dedicated person, the offset is the operations account. It doesn't matter what conversations and what we have done. It is a simple direct response to the pain of people.

This is a mountain if it happens to you. It is not whether we are coming down or we have had conversations; it is a mountain.

So I would simply say, according to the San Francisco Chronicle, identity thieves have stolen tax refunds of more than 490,000 dead persons. This Death Master List continues. The IRS initiated approximately 900 identity theftrelated criminal investigations out of 490,000. So what if you are this parent of a dead child?

I just would have a person dedicated to taking your calls. That is all I am asking in this amendment with a slight offset.

It doesn't make any sense. Alexis' parents did not discover the crime until they filed their taxes.

How many others have not?

So I ask my colleagues, out of the goodness of their heart—this is the last amendment, and I don't think any manner of conversation about what I did yesterday and what I did last year is going to be helpful. Mr. Chairman, I ask my colleagues to support the Jackson Lee amendment to help the parents of deceased children.

Mr. Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. Jackson Lee).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from Texas will be postponed.

VACATING DEMAND FOR RECORDED VOTE ON AMENDMENT NO. 149 OFFERED BY MR. FLORES

Mr. FLORES. Mr. Chair, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw my request for a recorded vote on amendment No. 149 to the end that the Chair put the question de novo.

The Acting CHAIR. The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. FLORES).

The amendment was rejected.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentleman from New Jersey is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Chairman, as we conclude discussion on our 12-bill package, I rise to urge support of H.R. 3354 and to thank the 12 chairs and ranking members who led the great work on these bills as well as the many Members who offered amendments in this open and free and, I may say, rather civil discussion.

This package prioritizes our domestic and national security to keep our people safe, supports our troops, strengthens law enforcement, secures our borders, and helps get our economy moving, and it deserves bipartisan support.

Over the past week, the House has debated hundreds of amendments in this appropriations legislation. Combined with the thousands of Member requests included in the base text, these bills are truly representative of our shared American values.

I want to thank all my colleagues for their time and consideration of one another throughout this process.

Tomorrow the House will vote to finalize all 12 appropriations bills before the fiscal year deadline of September 30

We have not had what is referred to and what is called regular order for a long time—in nearly a decade. And what's more, we have done all 12 bills under a very abbreviated time schedule. From June 12 to July 20—just over 1 month—the Appropriations Committee has held 12 subcommittee markups and 12 full committee markups, putting in hundreds of hours debating hundreds of amendments. The legislation on the floor this afternoon is a result of this hard work.

I would like to thank my committee, particularly its leaders, including Chairmen ROBERT ADERHOLT from Alabama, JOHN CULBERSON from Texas, KAY GRANGER from Texas, MIKE SIMPSON from Idaho, and TOM GRAVES from Georgia who has done a masterful job this afternoon, Judge CARTER from Texas, KEN CALVERT from California, TOM COLE from Oklahoma, KEVIN YODER from Kansas, CHARLIE DENT from Pennsylvania, HAL ROGERS from Kentucky, and MARIO DIAZ-BALART from Florida.

On the Democratic side, I want to thank Ranking Members Sanford Bishop from Georgia, José Serrano from New York, Pete Visclosky from Indiana, Marcy Kaptur from Ohio, Mike Quigley from Illinois, Lucille Roybal-Allard from California, Betty McCollum from Minnesota, Rosa Delauro from Connecticut, Tim Ryan from Ohio, Debbie Wasserman Schultz from Florida, and David Price from North Carolina, and their surrogates.

Of course, I particularly want to thank the ranking member of the full committee, Mrs. NITA LOWEY from New York for her dedication and friendship to getting our work done on time.

I must also thank our incredibly hard-working staff, Mr. Chairman, led by Nancy Fox, our staff director; and Maureen Holohan, our new deputy staff director on the Republican side; and by Shalanda Young and Chris Bigelow on the Democratic side. I thank them all. To all the staffs, those assembled here in this room and those who have been here for many hours over the last couple of days, I thank them all for all the work they have done to get these bills to the floor and the tremendous amount of time and dedication to them.

Mr. Chairman, this bill makes sure the United States has a strong national defense and that our citizens here at home are protected. This package sets us on the right path to fully fund the entire Federal Government on time and on budget.

Mr. Chairman, I ask my colleagues to vote "yes" on the bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments printed in House Report 115–297 on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

Amendment No. 87 by Mrs. Torres of California.

Amendment No. 105 by Mr. Grothman of Wisconsin.

Amendment No. 113 by Mr. Scott of Virginia.

Amendment No. 117 by Ms. NORTON of

the District of Columbia.

Amendment No. 124 by Mr. FLORES of

Texas.

Amendment No. 125 by Mr. Buck of

Amendment No. 125 by Mr. Buck of Colorado.

Amendment No. 131 by Mr. KILDEE of Michigan.

Amendment No. 134 by Mr. POCAN of Wisconsin.

Amendment No. 138 by Ms. Meng of New York.

Amendment No. 145 by Mr. KILDEE of Michigan.

Amendment No. 154 by Ms. Clark of Massachusetts.

Amendment No. 155 by Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania.

Amendment No. 160 by Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico.

Amendment No. 161 by Mrs. Lowey of New York.

Amendment No. 164 by Mr. COURTNEY of Connecticut.

Amendment No. 167 by Mr. LEWIS of Minnesota.

Amendment No. 168 by Mr. Grothman of Wisconsin.

Amendment No. 170 by Mr. GROTHMAN of Wisconsin.

Amendment No. 172 by Mr. Meadows of North Carolina.

Amendment No. 173 by Mr. WALBERG of Michigan.

Amendment No. 174 by Mrs. BLACK-BURN of Tennessee. Amendment No. 186 by Mr. ELLISON

of Minnesota.

Amendment No. 187 by Mr. Gibbs of

Amendment No. 187 by Mr. GIBBS of Ohio.

The Chair will reduce to 2 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first vote in this series.

AMENDMENT NO. 87 OFFERED BY MRS. TORRES

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. TORRES) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 279, noes 137, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 493]

AYES-279 Adams Green, Al Nolan Aguilar Green, Gene Norcross Bacon Grijalva Norman Banks (IN) Grothman O'Halleran Barletta. Gutiérrez O'Rourke Barragán Hanabusa Pallone Hartzler Panetta Bass Hastings Pascrell Beatty Heck Paulsen BeraHerrera Beutler Payne Beyer Higgins (NY) Pelosi Bishop (GA) Himes Perlmutter Hollingsworth Bishop (MI) Perrv Bishop (UT) Hoyer Peters Hudson Blum Peterson Blumenauer Huffman Pingree Blunt Rochester Huizenga Pocan Bonamici Hunter Poliquin Boyle, Brendan Hurd Polis F. Brady (PA) Issa Jackson Lee Price (NC) Quigley Brooks (IN) Jayapal Raskin Jeffries Jenkins (WV) Brown (MD) Reed Brownley (CA) Renacci Buchanan Johnson (GA) Rice (NY) Bucshon Johnson (OH) Rogers (AL) Bustos Johnson, E. B. Rogers (KY) Butterfield Joyce (OH) Rohrabacher Calvert Rooney, Thomas Capuano Kaptur Carbajal Katko Rosen Cárdenas Keating Roskam Carson (IN) Kelly (IL) Rothfus Cartwright Kelly (PA) Roybal-Allard Castor (FL) Kennedy Castro (TX) Khanna Royce (CA) Ruiz Chu, Judy Kihuen Ruppersberger Cicilline Kildee Clark (MA) Kilmer Rush Ryan (OH) Clarke (NY) Kind Sánchez King (NY) Clav Cleaver Sarbanes Kinzinger Krishnamoorthi Coffman Schakowsky Schiff Cohen Kuster (NH) Comstock Schneider Lance Connolly Langevin Schrader Larsen (WA) Scott (VA) Convers Larson (CT) Scott, David Cooper Latta. Serrano Lawrence Sewell (AL) Correa Costello (PA) Lee Shea-Porter Courtney Levin Sherman Lewis (GA) Crist Shimkus Crowley Lieu, Ted Simpson Cuellar Lipinski Sinema LoBiondo Cummings Sires Curbelo (FL) Loebsack Slaughter Davis (CA) Lofgren Smith (NE) Lowenthal Davis, Danny Smith (NJ) Davis, Rodney Lowey Smith (WA) DeFazio Luetkemever Smucker DeGette Lujan Grisham, Soto Delaney M. Luján, Ben Ray Speier DelBene Stefanik Demings Lynch Stewart MacArthur Dent Stivers DeSaulnier Malonev. Suozzi Carolyn B. Deutch Swalwell (CA) Dingell Maloney, Sean Takano Marchant Doggett Thompson (CA) Doyle, Michael Marino Thompson (MS) Marshall Duffy Thompson (PA) Mast Tipton Duncan (SC) Matsui Titus Duncan (TN) McCollum Ellison McEachin Tonko Torres Emmer McGovern Trott Engel McKinley Tsongas McMorris Eshoo Espaillat Rodgers Upton Vargas McNerney Esty (CT) Veasey McSally Evans Faso Meehan Vela Velázquez Fitzpatrick Meeks Visclosky Fortenberry Meng Foster Messer Walberg Frankel (FL) Walz Mitchell Wasserman Fudge Moolenaar Gabbard Mooney (WV) Schultz Waters, Maxine Gallagher Moore Gallego Moulton Watson Coleman Garamendi Murphy (FL) Welch Wilson (FL) Gibbs Murphy (PA) Wilson (SC) Gomez Nadler

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NOES-137 Abraham Gaetz Olson Aderholt Gianforte Palazzo Palmer Gohmert Amash Goodlatte Pearce Arrington Gosar Pittenger Babin Gowdy Poe (TX) Barr Granger Ratcliffe Graves (GA) Bergman Reichert Graves (LA) Biggs Rice (SC) Bilirakis Griffith Richmond Black Guthrie Roby Roe (TN) Blackburn Handel Bost. Harper Rokita Brady (TX) Harris Rouzer Brat Hensarling Russell Brooks (AL) Hice, Jody B. Rutherford Buck Higgins (LA) Sanford Budd Hill Schweikert Holding Burgess Scott, Austin Byrne Hultgren Sensenbrenner Carter (GA) Jenkins (KS) Sessions Johnson (LA) Carter (TX) Shuster Chabot Johnson, Sam Smith (MO) Chenev Jordan Kelly (MS) Smith (TX) Cole Taylor Collins (GA) King (IA) Tenney Collins (NY) Knight Kustoff (TN) Thornberry Comer Turner Conaway Labrador Valadao Cramer LaHood Crawford LaMalfa Wagner Lamborn Walden Culberson Walker Lewis (MN) Davidson Walorski Denham Long Walters, Mimi DeSantis Love Weber (TX) DesJarlais Lucas Webster (FL) Donovan Massie Dunn McCarthy Wenstrup Estes (KS) Westerman McCaul McClintock Williams Farenthold Ferguson Fleischmann McHenry Wittman Womack Meadows Woodall Flores Mullin Foxx Newhouse Yoder Franks (AZ) Noem Yoho Frelinghuysen Nunes Zeldin NOT VOTING-17 Amodei Garrett Ros-Lehtinen Graves (MO) Bridenstine Ross Clyburn Lawson (FL) Scalise Costa Loudermilk Tiberi Posey DeLauro Young (AK) Diaz-Balart Rooney, Francis □ 1729 to "no." Messrs. COHEN, BISHOP of BACON

Messrs. BOST, COLLINS of Georgia, WENSTRUP, DENHAM, Ms. TENNEY, and Mr. McCARTHY changed their vote from "aye"

KRISHNAMOORTHI, JEFFRIES, PETERS, MOULTON. Michigan, STEWART. DEUTCH. HUNTER, ROHR-LUETKEMEYER, CURBELO of Florida, ABACHER. RUSH, RYAN of Ohio, RENACCI. COFFMAN, BLUM, ROSKAM, and DUNCAN of South Carolina changed their vote from "no" to "aye.

So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated against:

Mr. BROWN of Maryland. Mr. Chair, during rollcall Vote No. 493 on H.R. 3354, I mistakenly recorded my vote as "yes" when I should have voted "no."

AMENDMENT NO. 105 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN The Acting CHAIR (Mr. COLLINS of Georgia). The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. GROTHMAN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed

by voice vote. The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This will be a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 98, noes 313, not voting 22, as follows:

[Roll No. 4941

AYES—98

Gianforte Abraham Messer Mooney (WV) Allen Gonzalez (TX) Amash Gosar Mullin Graves (GA) Babin Norman Bacon Griffith O'Halleran Banks (IN) Grothman Palmer Barr Guthrie Perry Poe (TX) Barton Harris Biggs Bishop (UT) Hice, Jody B. Holding Polis Rice (SC) Hudson Roe (TN) Blackburn Hultgren Rohrabacher Blum Hunter Rokita Brat Jenkins (KS) Russell Buck Jones Sanford Jordan Schweikert Budd Carter (GA) Kelly (MS) Scott, Austin Chabot King (IA) Sensenbrenner Labrador Smith (MO) Cheney Coffman LaHood Smith (NE) Comer LaMalfa Walker Lamborn Cook Walters, Mimi Davidson Latta Weber (TX) Lewis (MN) Webster (FL) DeSantis Duncan (SC) Long Wenstrup Duncan (TN) Love Westerman Marshall Williams Dunn Wilson (SC) Emmer Massie Estes (KS) McCarthy Wittman Farenthold McClintock Woodall Franks (AZ) McMorris Yoder Gaetz Rodgers Yoho Gallagher Meadows Young (IA)

NOES-313 Adams Clay Faso Aderholt Cleaver Ferguson Aguilar Cohen Fitzpatrick Amodei Cole Collins (GA) Fleischmann Arrington Flores Collins (NY) Fortenberry Barletta Barragán Comstock Foster Bass Conaway Foxx Beatty Connolly Frelinghuysen Conyers Fudge Bera Gabbard Bergman Cooper Beyer Correa Gallego Garamendi Gibbs Bilirakis Costello (PA) Bishop (GA) Courtney Bishop (MI) Cramer Gohmert Gomez Gottheimer Blumenauer Crawford Blunt Rochester Crist Crowley Bonamici Gowdy Bost Cuellar Granger Boyle, Brendan Graves (LA) Culberson F. Brady (PA) Cummings Green, Al Curbelo (FL) Green, Gene Brady (TX) Davis (CA) Grijalva Davis, Danny Brooks (AL) Gutiérrez Brooks (IN) DeFazio Hanabusa Brown (MD) DeGette Handel Brownley (CA) Delaney Harper Buchanan DelBene Hartzler Hastings Bucshon Demings Heck Burgess Denham Hensarling Bustos Dent DeSaulnier Herrera Beutler Butterfield Byrne DesJarlais Higgins (LA) Calvert Deutch Higgins (NY) Capuano Dingell Hill Carbajal Doggett Himes Hollingsworth Cárdenas Donovan Carson (IN) Doyle, Michael Hoyer Carter (TX) F. Duffy Huffman Cartwright Huizenga Castor (FL) Ellison Hurd Castro (TX) Engel Issa Jackson Lee Chu, Judy Eshoo Espaillat Cicilline Jayapal Clark (MA) Esty (CT) Jeffries Jenkins (WV) Clarke (NY) Evans

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Johnson, E. B.	Moore	Serrano
Johnson, Sam	Moulton	Sessions
Joyce (OH)	Murphy (FL)	Sewell (AL)
Kaptur	Murphy (PA)	Shea-Porter
Katko	Nadler	Sherman
Keating	Napolitano Neal	Shimkus
Kelly (IL) Kelly (PA)	Near	Simpson
Kennedy	Nolan	Sinema
Khanna	Norcross	Sires
Kihuen	Nunes	Slaughter
Kildee	O'Rourke	Smith (NJ)
Kilmer	Olson	Smith (TX)
Kind	Palazzo	Smith (WA)
King (NY)	Pallone	Smucker
Kinzinger	Panetta	Soto
Knight	Pascrell	Speier
Krishnamoorthi	Paulsen	Stefanik
Kuster (NH)	Payne	Stewart
Kustoff (TN)	Pearce	Stivers
Lance	Pelosi	Suozzi
Langevin	Perlmutter Peters	Swalwell (CA)
Larsen (WA) Larson (CT)	Peterson	Takano
Larson (C1)	Pingree	Taylor
Lee	Pittenger	Tenney Thompson (CA)
Levin	Pocan	Thompson (MS
Lewis (GA)	Poliquin	Thompson (PA)
Lieu, Ted	Price (NC)	Thornberry
Lipinski	Quigley	Tipton
LoBiondo	Raskin	Titus
Loebsack	Ratcliffe	Tonko
Lofgren	Reed	Torres
Lowenthal	Reichert	Trott
Lowey	Renacci	Tsongas
Lucas	Rice (NY)	Turner
Luetkemeyer	Richmond	Upton
Lujan Grisham, M.	Roby Rogers (AL)	Valadao
Luján, Ben Ray	Rogers (KY)	Vargas
Lynch	Rooney, Thomas	Veasey
MacArthur	J.	Vela
Maloney,	Rosen	Velázquez
Carolyn B.	Roskam	Visclosky
Maloney, Sean	Rothfus	Wagner
Marchant	Rouzer	Walberg
Mast	Roybal-Allard	Walden Walorski
Matsui	Royce (CA)	Walz
McCaul	Ruiz	Wasserman
McCollum	Ruppersberger	Schultz
McEachin	Rush	Waters, Maxine
McGovern McHenry	Rutherford Ryan (OH)	Watson Colema
McKinley	Sánchez	Welch
McNerney	Sarbanes	Wilson (FL)
McSally	Schakowsky	Womack
Meehan	Schiff	Yarmuth
Meeks	Schneider	Zeldin

NOT VOTING-22

Bridenstine	Goodlatte	Ros-Lehtinen
Clyburn	Graves (MO)	Ross
Costa	Lawson (FL)	Scalise
Davis, Rodney	Loudermilk	Shuster
DeLauro	Marino	Tiberi
Diaz-Balart	Newhouse	Young (AK)
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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

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So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated against:

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Chair, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall No. 494.

Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas. Mr. Chair, during rollcall Vote No. 494 on H.R. 3354, I mistakenly recorded my vote as "yea" when I should have voted "nay."

AMENDMENT NO. 113 OFFERED BY MR. SCOTT OF VIRGINIA

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. Scott) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

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The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 192, noes 223, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 495]

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	AYES-192	
Adams	Garamendi	O'Halleran
Aguilar	Gomez	O'Rourke
Barragán	Gonzalez (TX)	Pallone
Bass	Gottheimer	Panetta
Beatty	Green, Al	Pascrell
Bera	Green, Gene	Payne
Beyer	Grijalva	Pelosi
Bishop (GA)	Gutiérrez	Perlmutter
Blumenauer	Hanabusa	Peters
Blunt Rochester	Hastings	Peterson
Bonamici	Heck	Pingree
Bost	Higgins (NY)	Pocan
Boyle, Brendan	Himes	Polis
F.	Hoyer	Price (NC)
Brady (PA)	Huffman	Quigley
Brown (MD)	Jackson Lee	Raskin
Brownley (CA)	Jayapal	Rice (NY)
Bustos	Jeffries	Richmond
Butterfield	Johnson (GA)	Rosen
Capuano	Johnson, E. B.	Roybal-Allard
Carbajal	Kaptur	Ruiz
Cárdenas	Keating	Ruppersberger
Carson (IN)	Kelly (IL)	Rush
Cartwright	Kennedy	Ryan (OH)
Castor (FL)	Khanna	Sánchez
Castro (TX)	Kihuen	Sarbanes
Chu, Judy	Kildee	Schakowsky
Cicilline	Kilmer	Schiff
Clark (MA)	Kind	Schneider
Clarke (NY)	Krishnamoorthi	Schrader
Clay	Kuster (NH)	Scott (VA)
Cleaver	Langevin	Scott, David
Cohen	Larsen (WA)	Serrano
Connolly	Larson (CT)	Sewell (AL)
Conyers	Lawrence Lee	Shea-Porter
Cooper		Sherman
Correa Courtney	Levin Lewis (GA)	Sinema
Crist	Lieu, Ted	Sires
Crowley	Lipinski	Slaughter
Cuellar	Loebsack	Smith (WA)
Cummings	Lofgren	Soto
Davis (CA)	Lowenthal	Speier
Davis, Danny	Lowey	Suozzi
DeFazio	Lujan Grisham,	Swalwell (CA)
DeGette	M.	Takano
Delaney	Luján, Ben Ray	Thompson (CA
DelBene	Lynch	Thompson (MS
Demings	Maloney,	Titus
DeSaulnier	Carolyn B.	Tonko
Deutch	Maloney, Sean	Torres
Dingell	Matsui	Tsongas
Doggett	McCollum	Turner
Doyle, Michael	McEachin	Vargas
F.	McGovern	Veasey
Ellison	McNerney	Vela
Engel	Meeks	Velázquez
Eshoo	Meng	Visclosky
Espaillat	Moore	Walz
Esty (CT)	Moulton	Wasserman
Evans	Murphy (FL)	Schultz
Fitzpatrick	Nadler	Waters, Maxin
Foster	Napolitano	Watson Colema
Fudge	Neal	Welch
Gabbard	Nolan	Wilson (FL)
Gallego	Norcross	Yarmuth
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Bacon	Bilirakis
Banks (IN)	Bishop (MI)
Barletta	Bishop (UT)
Barr	Black
Barton	Blackburn
Bergman	Blum
Biggs	Brady (TX)

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rooks (IN)	Hill	Perry
uchanan	Holding	Pittenger
uck	Hollingsworth	Poe (TX)
ucshon	Hudson	Poliquin
udd	Huizenga	Ratcliffe
urgess	Hultgren	Reed
yrne	Hunter	Reichert
alvert	Hurd	Renacci
arter (GA)	Issa	Rice (SC)
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ole	Johnson, Sam	Rohrabacher
ollins (GA)	Jones	Rokita
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omer	Joyce (OH)	J.
onaway	Katko	Roskam
ook	Kelly (MS)	Rothfus
ostello (PA)	Kelly (PA)	Rouzer
ramer	King (IA)	Royce (CA)
rawford	King (NY)	Russell
ulberson	Kinzinger	Rutherford
urbelo (FL)	Knight	Sanford
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avis, Rodney	Labrador	Scott, Austin
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eSantis	Lamborn	Shimkus
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stes (KS)	Luetkemeyer	Stefanik
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erguson	Marino	Taylor
leischmann	Marshall	Tenney
lores	Massie	Thompson (PA)
ortenberry	Mast	Thornberry
oxx	McCarthy	Tipton
ranks (AZ)	McCaul	Trott
relinghuysen	McClintock	Upton
aetz	McHenry	Valadao
allagher	McKinley	Wagner
ianforte	McMorris	Walberg
ibbs	Rodgers	Walden
ohmert	McSally	Walker
oodlatte	Meadows	Walorski
osar	Meehan	Walters, Mimi
owdy	Messer	Weber (TX)
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Bridenstine	Frankel (FL)	Rooney, Francis
Clyburn	Garrett	Ros-Lehtinen
Comstock	Graves (MO)	Ross
Costa	Lawson (FL)	Scalise
DeLauro	Loudermilk	Tiberi
Diaz-Balart	Posev	Young (AK)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1735

So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Chair, I was unable to vote on rollcall Nos. 494 and 495. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall No. 494 and "yea" on rollcall No. 495.

AMENDMENT NO. 117 OFFERED BY MS. NORTON The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the

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gentlewoman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate th amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2 minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 189, noes 225, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 496]

AYES-189

Garamendi Adams Norcross Aguilar Gomez Gonzalez (TX) O'Halleran Amash O'Rourke Gottheimer Pallone Barragán Green, Al Bass Panetta Beatty Green, Gene Pascrell Grijalva Bever Pavne Bishop (GA) Gutiérrez Pelosi Blumenauer Hanabusa Peters Blunt Rochester Hastings Peterson Bonamici Heck Pingree Higgins (NY) Boyle, Brendan Pocan Himes Polis Brady (PA) Hover Price (NC) Brown (MD) Huffman Quigley Brownley (CA) Jackson Lee Raskin Bustos Javapal Rice (NY) Butterfield Jeffries Richmond Capuano Johnson (GA) Rooney, Thomas Carbajal Johnson, E. B. Rosen Cárdenas Kaptur Carson (IN) Keating Roybal-Allard Cartwright Kelly (IL) Ruiz Ruppersberger Castor (FL) Kennedy Castro (TX) Khanna Ryan (OH) Cicilline Kihnen Clark (MA) Kildee Sánchez Sarbanes Clarke (NY) Kilmer Clav Kind Schakowsky Cleaver Krishnamoorthi Schiff Cohen Kuster (NH) Schneider Connolly Langevin Scott (VA) Larsen (WA) Conyers Scott, David Larson (CT) Serrano Sewell (AL) Cooper Correa Lawrence Courtney Lee Shea-Porter Levin Sherman Crist Lewis (GA) Crowley Sinema Cuellar Lieu, Ted Sires Cummings Lipinski Slaughter Smith (WA) Davis (CA) Loebsack Davis, Danny Lofgren Soto DeFazio Lowenthal Speier DeGette Suozzi Lowey Delaney Lujan Grisham, Swalwell (CA) Del Bene M Takano Demings Luján, Ben Ray Thompson (CA) Lynch Thompson (MS) DeSaulnier Deutch Maloney Titus Carolyn B. Dingell Tonko Doggett Maloney, Sean Torres Doyle, Michael Matsui Tsongas Vargas McCollum Ellison McEachin Veasey Engel McGovern Vela. Eshoo McNerney Velázquez Espaillat Meeks Visclosky Esty (CT) Meng Walz Evans Moore Wasserman Foster Moulton Schultz Waters, Maxine Frankel (FL) Murphy (FL) Fudge Nadler Watson Coleman Gabbard Napolitano Welch Wilson (FL) Gaetz Neal Nolan Gallego Yarmuth

NOES—225

Banks (IN) Bilirakis Abraham Aderholt Barletta Bishop (MI) Allen Barr Barton Bishop (UT) Amodei Black Blackburn Arrington Bera Babin Bergman Blum Biggs Bacon Bost

Brooks (AL) Holding Pittenger Brooks (IN) Hollingsworth Poe (TX) Buchanan Hudson Poliquin Buck Huizenga Ratcliffe Bucshon Hultgren Reed Budd Hunter Reichert Burgess Hurd Renacci Byrne Tssa. Rice (SC) Jenkins (KS) Calvert Roby Carter (GA) Jenkins (WV) Roe (TN) Johnson (LA) Carter (TX) Rogers (AL) Johnson (OH) Rogers (KY) Chenev Johnson, Sam Rohrabacher Coffman Jones Rokita Jordan Roskam Collins (GA) Joyce (OH) Rothfus Collins (NY) Katko Rouzer Comer Kelly (MS) Royce (CA) Comstock Kelly (PA) Russell King (IA) Conaway Rutherford King (NY) Cook Sanford Costello (PA) Kinzinger Schrader Cramer Knight Schweikert Kustoff (TN) Crawford Scott, Austin Culberson Labrador Sensenbrenner Curbelo (FL) LaHood Davidson LaMalfa Sessions Davis, Rodney Shimkus Lamborn Denham Lance Shuster DeSantis Latta Simpson Smith (MO) Lewis (MN) DesJarlais Donovan LoBiondo Smith (NE) Duffy Long Smith (NJ) Duncan (SC) Love Smith (TX) Duncan (TN) Lucas Smucker Dunn Luetkemeyer Stefanik MacArthur Emmer Stewart Estes (KS) Marchant Stivers Farenthold Marino Tavlor Marshall Faso Tenney Massie Ferguson Thompson (PA) Fitzpatrick Mast Thornberry McCarthy Fleischmann Tipton McCaul Flores Trott Fortenberry McClintock Turner McHenry Foxx Upton Franks (AZ) McKinley Valadao Frelinghuysen McMorris Wagner Gallagher Rodgers Walherg Gianforte McSally Walden Gibbs Meadows Walker Gohmert Meehan Walorski Goodlatte Messer Walters, Mimi Mitchell Gosar Weber (TX) Gowdy Moolenaar Webster (FL) Mooney (WV) Granger Wenstrup Graves (LA) Mullin Murphy (PA) Westerman Griffith Williams Grothman Newhouse Wilson (SC) Guthrie Noem Wittman Handel Norman Womack Harper Nunes Woodall Olson Harris Hartzler Palazzo Yoder Yoho Hensarling Palmer Herrera Beutler Young (IA) Paulsen Hice, Jody B. Zeldin

NOT VOTING-19

Bridenstine Garrett Ros-Lehtinen Chu, Judy Graves (GA) Ross Clyburn Graves (MO) Scalise Lawson (FL) Costa Tiberi DeLauro Loudermilk Young (AK) Dent Posev Diaz-Balart Rooney, Francis

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR
The Acting CHAIR (during the vote).
There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1738

So the amendment was rejected.
The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 124 OFFERED BY MR. FLORES

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. Flores) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 216, noes 199, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 497]

AYES-216

Abraham Griffith Olson Aderholt Grothman Palazzo Allen Palmer Guthrie Amash Handel Paulsen Amodei Harper Pearce Arrington Harris Perry Babin Hartzler Peterson Hensarling Bacon Pittenger Banks (IN) Herrera Beutler Poe (TX) Barletta Hice, Jody B. Ratcliffe Barr Higgins (LA) Reed Barton Hill Reichert Bergman Holding Renacci Biggs Hollingsworth Rice (SC) Bilirakis Hudson Roby Roe (TN) Bishop (MI) Huizenga Bishop (UT) Hultgren Rogers (KY) Black Hunter Rohrabacher Blackburn Hurd Rokita Rooney, Thomas Blum Issa. Jenkins (KS) J. Roskam Brady (TX) Jenkins (WV) Johnson (LA) Brat Rothfus Brooks (AL) Johnson (OH) Rouzer Brooks (IN) Johnson, Sam Royce (CA) Buck Jones Russell Bucshon Jordan Rutherford Budd Joyce (OH) Sanford Katko Burgess Schweikert Kelly (MS) Byrne Scott, Austin Calvert Kelly (PA) Sensenbrenner Carter (GA) King (IA) Sessions Carter (TX) King (NY) Shimkus Chabot Kinzinger Shuster Cheney Knight Simpson Coffman Kustoff (TN) Smith (MO) Cole Labrador Smith (NE) Collins (GA) LaHood Smith (NJ) Collins (NY) LaMalfa Smith (TX) Comstock Lamborn Smucker Conaway Lance Stewart Cook Latta Stivers Lewis (MN) Cramer Taylor Crawford LoBiondo Tenney Long Culberson Thompson (PA) Davidson Love Thornberry Denham Lucas Tipton DeSantis Luetkemever DesJarlais MacArthur Trott Turner Duffy Marchant Upton Duncan (SC) Marino Marshall Valadao Duncan (TN) Wagner Dunn Massie Walberg McCarthy Emmer Walden Estes (KS) McCaul Walker Farenthold McClintock Walorski Faso McHenry Walters, Mimi Ferguson McKinley Weber (TX) Fleischmann McMorris Webster (FL) Flores Rodgers McSally Wenstrup Foxx Westerman Franks (AZ) Meadows Williams Frelinghuysen Meehan Wilson (FL) Messer Gallagher Mitchell Wilson (SC) Wittman Gianforte Moolenaar Gibbs Mooney (WV) Womack Gohmert Mullin Woodall Murphy (PA) Yoder Gosar Newhouse Yoho Young (AK) Granger Noem Graves (GA) Young (IA) Norman Graves (LA) Nunes Zeldin

NOES-199

Adams Beatty Blur Aguilar Bera Blur Barragán Beyer Bona Bass Bishop (GA)

Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Bonamici

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Gottheimer O'Rourke Boyle, Brendan Green, Al Pallone Brady (PA) Green, Gene Panetta Brown (MD) Grijalya. Pascrell Brownley (CA) Gutiérrez Pavne Buchanan Hanabusa Pelosi Bustos Hastings Perlmutter Butterfield Heck Peters Capuano Higgins (NY) Pingree Carbajal Himes Pocan Cárdenas Hoyer Poliquin Carson (IN) Huffman Polis Cartwright Jackson Lee Price (NC) Castor (FL) Jayapal Quigley Castro (TX) Jeffries. Raskin Johnson (GA) Chu, Judy Rice (NY) Cicilline Johnson, E. B. Richmond Clark (MA) Kaptur Rosen Clarke (NY) Keating Roybal-Allard Clay Kelly (IL) Cleaver Kennedy Ruppersberger Cohen Khanna Comer Kihuen Rush Ryan (OH) Connolly Kildee Sánchez Convers Kilmer Cooper Kind Sarbanes Krishnamoorthi Correa Schakowsky Costello (PA) Kuster (NH) Schiff Langevin Larsen (WA) Courtney Schneider Crist Schrader Crowley Larson (CT) Scott (VA) Cuellar Lawrence Scott, David Serrano Sewell (AL) Cummings Lee Curbelo (FL) Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Davis (CA) Shea-Porter Davis, Danny Sherman Davis, Rodney Lipinski Sinema DeFazio Loebsack Sires DeGette Lofgren Slaughter Delaney Lowenthal Smith (WA) DelBene Lowey Soto Lujan Grisham, Demings Speier DeSaulnier Stefanik Luián, Ben Ray Deutch Suozzi Dingell Lynch Swalwell (CA) Maloney, Doggett Takano Carolyn B. Donovan Thompson (CA) Doyle, Michael Maloney, Sean Thompson (MS) Mast Titus Ellison Matsui Tonko Engel McCollum Torres Eshoo McEachin Tsongas Espaillat McGovern Vargas Esty (CT) McNernev Veasev Evans Meeks Vela. Fitzpatrick Meng Fortenberry Moore Velázquez Visclosky Foster Frankel (FL) Moulton Murphy (FL) Walz Wasserman Fudge Nadler Gabbard Schultz Napolitano Waters, Maxine Gallego Neal

NOT VOTING-18

Bridenstine Garrett Clyburn Goodlatte Graves (MO) Costa DeLauro Lawson (FL) Loudermilk Dent Diaz-Balart

Nolan

Norcross

O'Halleran

Garamendi

Gonzalez (TX)

Gomez

Rooney, Francis Ros-Lehtinen Ross Scalise

Rogers (AL)

Welch

Yarmuth

Watson Coleman

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 125 OFFERED BY MR. BUCK

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. BUCK) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 226, noes 191, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 498]

AYES-226

Gohmert Abraham Noem Aderholt Goodlatte Norman Allen Nunes Gosar Amash Gowdy Olson Amodei Granger Palazzo Arrington Graves (GA) Palmer Babin Graves (LA) Paulsen Bacon Griffith Pearce Banks (IN) Grothman Perry Barletta Guthrie Peterson Pittenger Barr Handel Barton Harper Poe (TX) Bergman Harris Poliquin Biggs Hartzlei Ratcliffe Bilirakis Hensarling Reed $\stackrel{\smile}{\text{Herrera Beutler}}$ Bishop (MI) Renacci Bishop (UT) Hice, Jody B. Rice (SC) Black Higgins (LA) Roby Roe (TN) Blackburn Hill Holding Rogers (AL) Blum Bost Hollingsworth Rogers (KY) Brady (TX) Hudson Rohrabacher Huizenga Brat Rokita Brooks (AL) Rooney, Thomas Hultgren Brooks (IN) Hunter J. Roskam Buchanan Hurd Buck Tssa. Rothfus Bucshon Jenkins (KS) Rouzer Royce (CA) Budd Jenkins (WV) Johnson (LA) Burgess Russell Johnson (OH) Rutherford Byrne Calvert Johnson, Sam Sanford Carter (GA) Jones Schweikert Carter (TX) Jordan Scott, Austin Joyce (OH) Cartwright Sensenbrenner Chabot Katko Sessions Kelly (MS) Cheney Shimkus Coffman Kelly (PA) Shuster Simpson Cole King (IA) Collins (GA) Smith (MO) Kinzinger Collins (NY) Knight Smith (NE) Kustoff (TN) Comer Smith (NJ) Comstock LaHood Smith (TX) Conaway LaMalfa Smucker Lamborn Stefanik Cook Costello (PA) Stewart Cramer Latta Stivers Crawford Lewis (MN) Taylor Cuellar Long Tenney Thompson (PA) Culberson Love Davidson Thornberry Lucas Davis, Rodney Luetkemeyer Tipton Trott Denham Lvnch MacArthur Dent Turner Upton Valadao DeSantis Marchant DesJarlais Marino Marshall Duffy Wagner Duncan (SC) Massie Walberg Duncan (TN) Mast Walden McCarthy Dunn Walker Emmer McCaul Walorski Estes (KS) McClintock Walters, Mimi McHenry Weber (TX) Farenthold Faso McKinley Webster (FL) Ferguson Wenstrup McMorris Fitzpatrick Rodgers Westerman Fleischmann McSallv Williams Wilson (SC) Meadows Flores Fortenberry Meehan Wittman Foxx Messer Womack Mitchell Franks (AZ) Woodall Yoder Frelinghuysen Moolenaar Mooney (WV) Gaetz Yoho Gallagher Mullin Young (AK) Gianforte Murphy (PA) Young (IA) Gibbs Newhouse Zeldin

NOES-191

Adams

Aguilar

Bass

Bera

Reatty

Barragán

Bever Bishop (GA) Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Bonamici

Boyle, Brendan F. Brady (PA) Brown (MD) Brownley (CA) Bustos

Pascrell Butterfield Himes Capuano Hoyer Carbajal Huffman Cárdenas Jackson Lee Carson (IN) Jayapal Castor (FL) Jeffries Johnson (GA) Castro (TX) Chu, Judy Johnson, E. B. Cicilline Kaptur Clark (MA) Keating Kelly (IL) Clarke (NY) Clay Kennedy Cleaver Khanna. Cohen Kihuen Connolly Kildee Convers Kilmer Cooper Kind King (NY) Correa Courtney Krishnamoorthi Crist Kuster (NH) Crowley Labrador Cummings Langevin Curbelo (FL) Larsen (WA) Davis (CA) Larson (CT) Davis, Danny Lawrence DeFazio Lee Levin DeGette Delaney Lewis (GA) DelBene Lieu, Ted Lipinski Demings DeSaulnier LoBiondo Deutch Loebsack Dingell Lofgren Doggett Lowenthal Donovan Lowey Lujan Grisham, Dovle, Michael M. Ellison Luján, Ben Ray Engel Malonev. Eshoo Carolyn B Espaillat Maloney, Sean Esty (CT) Matsui McCollum Evans Foster McEachin Frankel (FL) McGovern McNerney Fudge Gabbard Meeks Gallego Meng Garamendi Moore Moulton Gomez Gonzalez (TX) Murphy (FL) Nadler Napolitano Gottheimer Green, Al Green, Gene Neal Grijalva Nolan Gutiérrez

Pelosi Perlmutter Peters Pingree Pocan Polis Price (NC) Quigley Raskin Reichert Rice (NY) Richmond Rosen Rovbal-Allard Ruiz Ruppersberger Rush Sánchez Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schneider Schrader Scott (VA) Scott, David Serrano Sewell (AL) Shea-Porter Sherman Sinema. Sires Slaughter Smith (WA) Soto Speier Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Titus Tonko Torres Tsongas Vargas Veasev Vela Velázquez Visclosky Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Norcross O'Halleran Watson Coleman

NOT VOTING-

O'Rourke

Pallone

Bridenstine Graves (MO) Clyburn Lawson (FL) Costa Loudermilk DeLauro Posey Rooney, Francis Diaz-Balart Garrett Ros-Lehtinen

as above recorded.

Hanabusa

Higgins (NY)

Hastings

Heck

Ross Ryan (OH) Scalise Tiberi

Welch

Wilson (FL)

Yarmuth

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

Messrs. LATTA and FERGUSON changed their votes from "no" "aye.

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced

AMENDMENT NO. 131 OFFERED BY MR. KILDEE

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

Mitchell

Mullin

Noem

Nunes

Olson

Palazzo

Palmer

Pittenger

Poe (TX)

Ratcliffe

Rice (SC)

Roe (TN)

Rogers (AL)

Rogers (KY)

Rohrabacher

Rooney, Thomas

Renacci

Roby

J.

Rouzer

Russell

Sanford

Sessions

Shimkus

Shuster

Simpson

Smith (MO)

Smith (TX)

Smucker

Stewart

Tavlor

Tenney

Thornberry

Valadao

Wagner

Walberg

Walker

Thompson (PA)

Walters, Mimi

Weber (TX)

Wenstrup

Williams

Wittman

Womack

Woodall

Yoder

Yoho

Westerman

Wilson (SC)

Young (AK)

Fudge

Gabbard

Gallego

Barr

Garamendi

Webster (FL)

Rutherford

Schweikert

Norman

Newhouse

Moolenaar

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 247, noes 170, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 499] AYES-247 Grijalva Adams Pascrell Aguilar Gutiérrez Paulsen Bacon Hanabusa. Pavne Barletta Hastings Pearce Barragán Heck Pelosi Herrera Beutler Perlmutter Bass Beatty Higgins (LA) Perry Higgins (NY) Peters Bera Bergman Peterson Himes Hollingsworth Beyer Pingree Hoyer Hudson Bishop (GA) Pocan Poliquin Bishop (MI) Huffman Bishop (UT) Polis Blum Blumenauer Hurd Jackson Lee Price (NC) Quigley Blunt Rochester Raskin Javapal Bonamici .Teffries Reed Boyle, Brendan Johnson (GA) Reichert Johnson, E. B. Rice (NY) Brady (PA) Jones Richmond Brown (MD) Kaptur Rokita Brownley (CA) Katko Rosen Buchanan Keating Roskam Kelly (IL) Rothfus Bustos Butterfield Roybal-Allard Kelly (PA) Capuano Kennedy Royce (CA) Carbajal Khanna Ruiz Cárdenas Kihnen Ruppersberger Carson (IN) Kildee Rush Ryan (OH) Cartwright Kilmer Castor (FL) Kind Sánchez King (NY) Castro (TX) Sarbanes Krishnamoorthi Schakowsky Chu, Judy Cicilline Kuster (NH) Schiff Clark (MA) LaHood Schneider Clarke (NY) Lance Schrader Langevin Scott (VA) Clay Cleaver Larsen (WA) Scott, Austin Larson (CT) Scott, David Cohen Connolly Lawrence Sensenbrenner Convers Serrano Lee Cooper Levin Sewell (AL) Lewis (GA) Correa. Shea-Porter Costello (PA) Lieu, Ted Sherman Courtney Lipinski Sinema Crist LoBiondo Sires Slaughter Crowley Loebsack Cuellar Lofgren Smith (NE) Lowenthal Cummings Smith (NJ) Curbelo (FL) Lowey Smith (WA) Davis (CA) Lujan Grisham, Soto Davis, Danny M. Speier Luján, Ben Ray DeFazio Stefanik DeGette Lynch Stivers MacArthur Delanev Suozzi Swalwell (CA) DelBene Maloney, Demings Carolyn B. Takano Thompson (CA) Malonev. Sean Dent DeSaulnier Marshall Thompson (MS) Deutch Mast Tipton Matsui Dingell Titus McCollum Doggett Tonko Doyle, Michael McEachin Torres McGovern Trott Ellison McNerney Tsongas Emmer McSally Turner Meehan Engel Upton Meeks Eshoo Vargas Espaillat Meng Veasey Esty (CT) Messer Vela Evans Mooney (WV) Velázquez Faso Moore Visclosky Moulton Fitzpatrick Walden Foster Murphy (FL) Walorski Frankel (FL) Murphy (PA) Walz. Fudge Wasserman Gabbard Schultz Waters, Maxine Napolitano Gallego Neal Garamendi Nolan Watson Coleman Norcross O'Halleran Welch Gomez Gonzalez (TX) Wilson (FL)

O'Rourke

Pallone

Panetta

Yarmuth

Zeldin

Young (IA)

Gottheimer

Green, Al Green, Gene

NOES-170 Abraham Gaetz Aderholt Gallagher Gianforte Amash Gibbs Amodei Gohmert Goodlatte Arrington **Bahin** Gosar Banks (IN) Gowdy Barr Granger Barton Graves (GA) Biggs Graves (LA) Bilirakis Griffith Black Grothman Blackburn Guthrie Handel Bost Brady (TX) Harper Brat Harris Brooks (AL) Hartzler Brooks (IN) Hensarling Hice, Jody B. Buck Bucshon Hill Holding Budd Burgess Huizenga Byrne Hultgren Calvert Hunter Carter (GA) IssaJenkins (KS) Carter (TX) Jenkins (WV) Chabot Johnson (LA) Cheney Coffman Johnson (OH) Cole Johnson, Sam Collins (GA) Jordan Joyce (OH) Collins (NY) Comer Kelly (MS) Comstock King (IA) Conaway Kinzinger Cook Knight Cramer Kustoff (TN) Crawford Labrador Culberson LaMalfa Davidson Lamborn Denham Latta Lewis (MN) DeSantis DesJarlais Long Donovan Love Duffv Lucas Duncan (SC) Luetkemeyer Duncan (TN) Marchant

NOT VOTING-16

Bridenstine Garrett Ros-Lehtinen Clyburn Graves (MO) Ross Costa Lawson (FL) Scalise Davis, Rodney Loudermilk Tiberi DeLauro Posey Diaz-Balart Rooney, Francis

Marino

Massie

McCarthy

McClintock

McHenry

McKinley

McMorris

Meadows

Rodgers

McCaul

Dunn

Estes (KS)

Farenthold

Fleischmann

Fortenberry

Franks (AZ)

Frelinghuysen

Ferguson

Flores

Foxx

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

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So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 134 OFFERED BY MR. POCAN

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. POCAN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will The redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 199, noes 219, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 500]

AYES-199

Adams Gomez Nolan Gonzalez (TX) Gottheimer Aguilar Amash Barragán Green, Al Rass Green, Gene Beatty Grijalva Gutiérrez Bera Bishop (GA) Hanabusa Payne Hastings Blum Pelosi Blumenauer Heck Higgins (NY) Blunt Rochester Bonamici Himes Boyle, Brendan Hoyer F. Huffman Pocan Brady (PA) Jackson Lee Polis Brown (MD) Jayapal Brownley (CA) Jeffries Bustos Johnson (GA) Butterfield Johnson, E. B. Capuano Jones Carbajal Kaptur Rosen Cárdenas Katko Carson (IN) Keating Ruiz Kelly (IL) Cartwright Castor (FL) Kennedy Rush Castro (TX) Khanna Chu, Judy Kihuen Cicilline Kildee Clark (MA) Kilmer Clarke (NY) Schiff Kind King (NY) Clav Cleaver Krishnamoorthi Cohen Kuster (NH) Connolly Lance Langevin Conyers Cooper Larsen (WA) Correa Larson (CT) Courtney Lawrence Crist Crowley Lee Levin Sinema Sires Lewis (GA) Cuellar Cummings Lieu, Ted Davis (CA) Lipinski Davis, Danny LoBiondo Soto DeFazio Loebsack Speier DeGette Lofgren Suozzi Delaney Lowenthal DelBene Lowey Demings Lujan Grisham, DeSaulnier Luján, Ben Ray Deutch Titus Dingell Lynch Maloney Doggett Torres Doyle, Michael Carolyn B. Maloney, Sean Ellison Matsui McCollum Engel Vela. Eshoo McEachin Espaillat McGovern McNerney Esty (CT) Walz. Evans Meeks Fitzpatrick Meng Foster Moore Frankel (FL) Moulton

NOES-219

Murphy (FL)

Napolitano

Nadler

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Collins (NY) Abraham Bost Brady (TX) Aderholt Comer Comstock Allen Brooks (AL) Amodei Conaway Arrington Brooks (IN) Cook Babin Buchanan Costello (PA) Bacon Buck Cramer Bucshon Banks (IN) Crawford Culberson Curbelo (FL) Barletta Budd Burgess Barton Byrne Davidson Bergman Calvert Davis, Rodney Carter (GA) Beyer Denham Biggs Carter (TX) Dent Bilirakis Chabot DeSantis DesJarlais Bishop (MI) Cheney Bishop (UT) Coffman Donovan Cole Black Duffy Collins (GA) Duncan (SC) Blackburn

Norcross O'Halleran O'Rourke

Pallone Panetta Pascrell Perlmutter Peters Peterson Pingree Price (NC) Quigley Raskin Rice (NY) Richmond Roybal-Allard

Ruppersberger Ryan (OH) Sánchez Sarbanes Schakowsky Schneider Schrader Scott (VA) Scott, David Serrano Sewell (AL) Shea-Porter Sherman

Slaughter Smith (NJ) Smith (WA) Swalwell (CA)

Takano Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Tonko Tsongas

Vargas Veasey Velázquez Visclosky Wasserman

Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Welch

Wilson (FL) Yarmuth Young (AK)

Roskam

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Duncan (TN)	Knight	Rogers (KY)
Dunn	Kustoff (TN)	Rohrabacher
Emmer	Labrador	Rokita
Estes (KS)	LaHood	Rooney, Thom
Farenthold	LaMalfa	J.
Faso	Lamborn	Roskam
Ferguson	Latta	Rothfus
Fleischmann	Lewis (MN)	Rouzer
Flores	Long	Royce (CA)
Fortenberry	Love	Russell
Foxx	Lucas	Rutherford
Franks (AZ)	Luetkemeyer	Sanford
Frelinghuysen	MacArthur	Schweikert
Gaetz	Marchant	Scott, Austin
Gallagher	Marino	Sensenbrenner
Gianforte	Marshall	Sessions
Gibbs	Massie	Shimkus
Gohmert	Mast	
Goodlatte	McCarthy	Shuster
Gosar	McCaul	Simpson
Gowdy	McClintock	Smith (MO)
Granger	McHenry	Smith (NE)
Graves (GA)	McKinley	Smith (TX)
Graves (LA)	McMorris	Smucker
Griffith	Rodgers	Stefanik
Grothman	McSally	Stewart
Guthrie	Meadows	Stivers
Handel	Meehan	Taylor
Harper	Messer	Tenney
Harris	Mitchell	Thompson (PA
Hartzler	Moolenaar	Thornberry
Hensarling	Mooney (WV)	Tipton
Herrera Beutler	Mullin	Trott
Hice, Jody B.	Murphy (PA)	Turner
Higgins (LA)	Newhouse	Upton
Hill	Noem	Valadao
Holding	Norman	Wagner
Hollingsworth	Nunes	Walberg
Hudson	Olson	Walden
Huizenga	Palazzo	Walker
Hultgren	Palmer	Walorski
Hunter	Paulsen	Walters, Mimi
Hurd	Pearce	Weber (TX)
Issa	Perry	Webster (FL)
Jenkins (KS)	Pittenger	Wenstrup
Jenkins (WV)	Poe (TX)	Westerman
Johnson (LA)	Poliquin	Williams
Johnson (OH)	Ratcliffe	Wilson (SC)
Johnson, Sam	Reed	Wittman
Jordan	Reichert	Womack
Joyce (OH)	Renacci	Woodall
Kelly (MS)	Rice (SC)	Yoder
Kelly (PA)	Roby	Yoho
King (IA)	Roe (TN)	Young (IA)
Kinzinger	Rogers (AL)	Zeldin
	NOT VOTING-	-15

Bridenstine Garrett Rooney, Francis Graves (MO) Clyburn Ros-Lehtinen Lawson (FL) Costa Ross DeLauro Loudermilk Diaz-Balart Posev Tiberi

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

1751

So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 138 OFFERED BY MS. MENG

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. MENG) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 220, noes 198, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 501]

AYES-220

Adams

Aguilar

Barton

Beatty

Bera

Beyer

Bishop (GA)

Blumenauer

Bonamici

Brady (PA)

Brown (MD)

Buck

Bucshon

Calvert

Capuano Carbajal

Cárdenas

Carson (IN)

Cartwright

Castor (FL)

Castro (TX)

Chu, Judy

Clark (MA)

Clarke (NY)

Cicilline

Clay

Cleaver

Connolly

Convers

Cooper

Correa

Crist

Courtney

Crowley

Cuellar

Cummings

Davis (CA)

DeFazio

DeGette

Delaney

DelBene

Demings

Denham

Deutch

Dingell

Doggett

Donovan

Ellison

Engel

Eshoo

Evans

Faso

Foster

Abraham

Aderholt

Allen

Amash

Amodei

Babin

Bacon

Barr

Biggs

Black

Arrington

Banks (IN)

Barletta

Bergman

Bilirakis

Bishop (MI)

Bishop (UT)

Blackburn

Espaillat

Esty (CT)

Fitzpatrick

Fortenberry

Frankel (FL)

Doyle, Michael

Dent DeSaulnier

Curbelo (FL)

Davis, Danny

Davis, Rodney

Costello (PA)

Cook

Cohen

Bustos Butterfield

Brownley (CA)

Blunt Rochester

Boyle, Brendan

Bass

Barragán

Franks (AZ) Nolan Frelinghuysen Norcross Fudge O'Halleran Gabbard O'Rourke Gallego Pallone Garamendi Panetta Gomez Pascrell Gonzalez (TX) Paulsen Gottheimer Payne Graves (LA) Pelosi Green, Al Perlmutter Green, Gene Peters Grijalva Peterson Gutiérrez Pingree Hanabusa Pocan Hastings Polis Heck Price (NC) Herrera Beutler Quigley Higgins (NY) Raskin Himes Reed Hoyer Rice (NY) Huffman Richmond Jackson Lee Rooney, Thomas Jayapal Jeffries Rosen Johnson (GA) Rovbal-Allard Johnson, E. B. Royce (CA) Kaptur Ruiz Katko Ruppersberger Keating Rush Kelly (IL) Ryan (OH) Kennedy Khanna Sánchez Kihuen Sarbanes Schakowsky Kildee Schiff Kilmer Kind Schneider King (NY) Schrader Krishnamoorthi Schweikert Kuster (NH) Scott (VA) Scott, David Lance Langevin Serrano Larsen (WA) Sewell (AL) Larson (CT) Shea-Porter Lawrence Sherman Lee Sinema Levin Sires Lewis (GA) Slaughter Lieu Ted Smith (NJ) Lipinski Smith (WA) LoBiondo Soto Loebsack Speier Lofgren Suozzi Lowenthal Swalwell (CA) Lowey Takano Lujan Grisham, Thompson (CA) M. Thompson (MS) Luián, Ben Rav Lynch Tonko Maloney Torres Carolyn B. Tsongas Maloney, Sean Vargas Matsui McCollum Veasey Vela McEachin Velázquez McGovern Visclosky McNerney Walz McSally Wasserman Meeks Meng SchultzMoore Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman

Moulton

Nadler

Murphy (FL)

Napolitano

Blum Comer Comstock Bost Brady (TX) Conaway Brat Cramer Brooks (AL) Crawford Brooks (IN) Culberson Buchanan Davidson Budd DeSantis Burgess DesJarlais Byrne Duffv Carter (GA) Duncan (SC) Carter (TX) Duncan (TN) Chabot Dunn Cheney Emmer Estes (KS) Coffman Farenthold Cole Collins (GA) Ferguson Fleischmann Collins (NY)

Welch

Zeldin

Wilson (FL)

Yarmuth

Latta Foxx Lewis (MN) Gaetz Long Gallagher Love Gianforte Lucas Gibbs Luetkemeyer Gohmert MacArthur Goodlatte Marchant Gosar Marino Marshall Gowdy Granger Massie Graves (GA) Mast McCarthy Griffith Grothman McCaul Guthrie McClintock Handel McHenry Harper McKinley Harris McMorris Hartzler Rodgers Hensarling Meadows Hice, Jody B. Meehan Higgins (LA) Messer Mitchell Hill Holding Moolenaar Hollingsworth Mooney (WV) Hudson Mullin Murphy (PA) Huizenga Hultgren Newhouse Hunter Noem Hurd Norman Issa Nunes Jenkins (KS) Olson Jenkins (WV) Palazzo Johnson (LA) Palmer Johnson (OH) Pearce Johnson, Sam Perrv Jones Pittenger Jordan Poe (TX) Joyce (OH) Poliquin Kelly (MS) Ratcliffe Kelly (PA) Reichert King (IA) Renacci

Kinzinger

Labrador

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Lamborn

Kustoff (TN)

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Rothfus Rouzer Russell Rutherford Sanford Scott, Austin Sensenbrenner Sessions Shimkus Shuster Simpson Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (TX) Smucker Stefanik Stewart Stivers Taylor Tenney Thompson (PA) Thornberry Tipton Trott Turner Upton Valadao Wagner Walberg Walden Walker Walorski Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams Wilson (SC) Wittman Rice (SC) Womack Roe (TN) Woodall Yoder Rogers (AL) Yoho Rogers (KY) Rohrabacher Young (AK) Young (IA)

NOT VOTING-15

Roby

Rokita

Bridenstine Garrett Rooney, Francis Clyburn Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Costa Lawson (FL) Ross DeLauro Loudermilk Scalise Diaz-Balart Tiberi Posev

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

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So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 145 OFFERED BY MR. KILDEE

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. KILDEE) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 243, noes 175, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 502]

AYES-243

Abraham Aguilar Barletta Adams Bacon Barragán

NOES-198

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Barton		n, Gene
Bass	Grija	
Beatty	Gutie	
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Bishop (MI)		ins (NY)
Bishop (UT)	Hime	
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Blumenauer	Hoye	
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Brooks (IN)	John	son (GA)
Brown (MD)		son, E. B.
Brownley (CA)	Jones	
Bucshon	Kapt	
Bustos Butterfield	Katk Keat	
Capuano	Kelly	
Carbajal	Kenn	
Cárdenas	Khan	na
Carson (IN)	Kihu	
Cartwright	Kilde	
Castor (FL) Castro (TX)	Kilm Kind	er
Chu, Judy	Kinzi	nger
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Clark (MA)		er (NH)
Clarke (NY)	Lanc	
Clay	Lang	
Cleaver		en (WA)
Cohen		on (CT)
Connolly Conyers	Lawr Lee	ence
Cooper	Levi	n
Correa		s (GA)
Costello (PA)	Lieu,	Ted
Courtney	Lipin	
Crist	LoBi	
Crowley	Loeb	
Cuellar Cummings	Lofg1 Love	en
Curbelo (FL)		nthal
Davis (CA)	Lowe	
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		n Grisham,
DeFazio	Μ.	. D D
DeGette Delaney	Lync	n, Ben Ray
DelBene		Arthur
Demings	Malo	
Dent		rolyn B.
DeSaulnier		ney, Sean
Deutch	Mast	
Dingell	Mats	
Doggett Doyle, Michael	McEa	
F.	McGo	
Ellison	McKi	
Engel	McNe	
Eshoo	McSa	
Espaillat	Meeh	
Esty (CT) Evans	Meek	
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Fitzpatrick		ney (WV)
Foster	Moor	e
Frankel (FL)	Moul	
Fudge	Murp	hy (FL)
Gabbard		ohy (PA)
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Gonzalez (TX)	Norc	
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Green, Al	O'Ro	urke
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Pallone Panetta Pascrell Paulsen Pavne Pearce Pelosi Perlmutter Peterson Pingree Pocan Polis Price (NC) Quiglev Raskin Reed Reichert Rice (NY) Rice (SC) Richmond Roe (TN) Rosen Roskam Roybal-Allard Ruiz Ruppersberger Rush Ryan (OH) Sánchez Trishnamoorthi Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schneider Schrader Scott (VA) Scott, David Sensenbrenner Serrano Sewell (AL) Shea-Porter Sherman Sinema. Sires Slaughter Smith (NJ) Smith (WA) Soto Speier Stivers Suozzi uján, Ben Ray Swalwell (CA) Takano Tavlor Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Thompson (PA) Tipton Titus Tonko Torres Trott Tsongas Turner Unton Vargas Veasev Vela. Velázquez Visclosky Walden Walz. Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman

NOES-175

Welch

Zeldin

Wilson (FL)

Yarmuth

Buchanan Aderholt Conaway Allen Buck Cook Amash Budd Cramer Crawford Amodei Burgess Arrington Byrne Culberson Babin Calvert Davidson Banks (IN) Carter (GA) Denham Barr Carter (TX) DeSantis Chabot DesJarlais Biggs Bilirakis Cheney Donovan Black Coffman Duffv Blackburn Cole Collins (GA) Duncan (SC) Duncan (TN) Bost Brady (TX) Collins (NY) Dunn Comer Comstock Emmer Brat Brooks (AL) Estes (KS)

Farenthold Ferguson Fleischmann Flores Fortenberry Foxx Franks (AZ) Frelinghuysen Gaetz Gianforte Gibbs Gohmert Goodlatte Gosar Gowdy Granger Graves (GA) Graves (LA) Griffith Grothman Guthrie Handel Harper Harris Hartzler Hensarling Hice, Jody B. Higgins (LA) Hill Holding Hudson Huizenga Hultgren Hunter Hurd Issa Jenkins (KS) Johnson (LA)

Johnson (OH)

Johnson, Sam

Joyce (OH)

Kelly (MS)

Jordan

Rohrabacher Kelly (PA) King (IA) Rokita King (NY) Rooney, Thomas Knight Kustoff (TN) Rothfus Rouzer Labrador Royce (CA) LaHood LaMalfa Russell Lamborn Rutherford Latta Sanford Lewis (MN) Schweikert Long Scott, Austin Lucas Sessions Marchant Shimkus Marino Shuster Marshall Simpson Massie McCarthy Smith (MO) Smith (NE) McCaul Smith (TX) McClintock Smucker McHenry Stefanik McMorris Stewart Rodgers Tenney Meadows Thornberry Mitchell Valadao Moolenaar Wagner Mullin Walberg Newhouse Walker Noem Walorski Walters, Mimi Norman Weber (TX) Nunes Olson Webster (FL) Wenstrup Palazzo Palmer Westerman Perry Williams Wilson (SC) Pittenger Poe (TX) Wittman Poliquin Womack Ratcliffe Woodall Renacci Yoder Roby Yoho Rogers (AL) Young (AK) Rogers (KY) Young (IA) NOT VOTING-15

Bridenstine Garrett Rooney, Francis Clyburn Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Costa Lawson (FL) Ross DeLauro Loudermilk Scalise Diaz-Balart Tiberi

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1757

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 154 OFFERED BY MS. CLARK OF MASSACHUSETTS

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from Massachusetts (Ms. CLARK) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 225, noes 192, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 503]

AYES-225

Adams Bera Boyle, Brendan Aguilar Bishop (GA) Brady (PA) Barletta Blum Brooks (IN) Barragán Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Rass Brown (MD) Beatty Brownley (CA) Bonamici

Bucshon Bustos Butterfield Capuano Carbajal Cárdenas Carson (IN) Cartwright Castor (FL) Castro (TX) Chu, Judy Cicilline Clark (MA) Clarke (NY) Clay Cleaver Cohen Connolly Conyers Cooper Correa Costello (PA) Courtney Crist Crowley Cuellar Cummings Curbelo (FL) Davis (CA) Davis, Danny Davis, Rodney DeFazio DeGette Delaney DelBene Demings Dent DeSaulnier Deutch Dingell Doggett Doyle, Michael Ellison Engel Eshoo Espaillat Esty (CT) Evans Faso Fitzpatrick Fortenberry Foster Frankel (FL) Fudge Gabbard Gallego Garamendi Gomez Gonzalez (TX) Gottheimer Graves (LA) Green, Al Green, Gene Grijalva Gutiérrez Hanabusa

Hastings

Heck

Allen

Amash

Babin

Bacon

Barr

Barton

Bever

Biggs

Black

Bost

Brat

Budd

Burgess

Payne Huffman Pelosi Jackson Lee Perlmutter Javanal Jeffries Jenkins (WV) Johnson (GA) Johnson, E. B. Jones Kaptur Keating Kelly (IL) Kennedy Khanna Kihuen Kildee Kilmer Kind Krishnamoorthi Kuster (NH) LaHood Lance Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Lawrence Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Lujan Grisham, M. Luján, Ben Ray Lynch Maloney, Carolyn B. Maloney, Sean Matsui McCollum McEachin McGovern McKinley McNerney Meehan Meeks Meng Messer Mooney (WV) Moore Moulton Murphy (FL) Murphy (PA) Nadler Napolitano Neal Noem Nolan Norcross O'Halleran O'Rourke Pallone Panetta Pascrel1 Higgins (NY) Paulsen Zeldin

Himes

Peters Peterson Pingree Pocan Polis Price (NC) Quigley Raskin Reed Reichert Rice (NY) Richmond Roe (TN) Rosen Roybal-Allard Royce (CA) Ruiz Ruppersberger Rush Ryan (OH) Sánchez Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schrader Scott (VA) Scott David Sensenbrenner Serrano Sewell (AL) Shea-Porter Sherman Sinema Sires Slaughter Smith (NJ) Smith (WA) Soto Speier Stefanik Stivers Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Tipton Titus Tonko Torres Tsongas Turner Upton Vargas Veasey Vela. Velázquez Visclosky Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Welch Wilson (FL) Yarmuth

NOES-192

Abraham Byrne Aderholt Calvert Carter (GA) Carter (TX) Amodei Chabot Arrington Cheney Coffman Cole Collins (GA) Banks (IN) Collins (NY) Comer Comstock Bergman Conaway Cook Bilirakis Cramer Crawford Bishop (MI) Bishop (UT) Culberson Davidson Blackburn Denham DeSantis Brady (TX) Des Jarlais Donovan Duffy Duncan (SC) Brooks (AL) Buchanan Duncan (TN) Dunn

Emmer Estes (KS) Farenthold Ferguson Fleischmann Flores Foxx Franks (AZ) Frelinghuysen Gaetz Gallagher Gianforte Gibbs Gohmert Goodlatte Gosar Gowdy Granger Graves (GA) Griffith Grothman Guthrie Handel Harper Harris

Hartzlei

Polis

Reed

Reichert

Renacci

Rice (SC)

Richmond

Rogers (AL)

Rooney, Thomas

Roe (TN)

Rokita

Roskam

Rothfus

Royce (CA)

Rutherford

Sewell (AL)

Shea-Porter

Smith (MO)

Smith (WA)

Thompson (CA)

Thompson (MS)

Thompson (PA)

Thornberry

Smith (NJ)

Smucker

Stefanik

Stivers

Suozzi

Tenney

Tipton

Torres

Trott

Turner

Upton

Visclosky

Wagner

Walberg

Walden

Walorski

Wenstrup

Woodall

Yoder

Zeldin

Yoho

Westerman

Wilson (SC)

Young (IA)

Walters, Mimi

Webster (FL)

Vela.

Sanford

Schrader

Sherman

Shimkus

Shuster

Sinema

Rouzer

Hensarling	Massie	Sanford
Herrera Beutler	Mast	Schneider
Hice, Jody B.	McCarthy	Schweikert
Higgins (LA)	McCaul	Scott, Austin
Hill	McClintock	Sessions
Holding	McHenry	Shimkus
Hollingsworth	McMorris	Shuster
Hoyer	Rodgers	Simpson
Hudson	McSally	Smith (MO)
Huizenga	Meadows	Smith (NE)
Hultgren	Mitchell	Smith (TX)
Hunter	Moolenaar	Smucker
Hurd	Mullin	Stewart
Issa	Newhouse	Taylor
Jenkins (KS)	Norman	Tenney
Johnson (LA)	Nunes	Thompson (PA)
Johnson (OH)	Olson	Thornberry
Johnson, Sam	Palazzo	Trott
Jordan	Palmer	Valadao
Joyce (OH)	Pearce	Wagner
Kelly (MS)	Perry	Walberg
Kelly (PA)	Pittenger	Walden
King (IA)	Poe (TX)	Walker
King (NY)	Poliquin	Walker
Kinzinger	Ratcliffe	
Knight	Renacci	Walters, Mimi
Kustoff (TN)	Rice (SC)	Weber (TX)
Labrador	Roby	Webster (FL)
LaMalfa	Rogers (AL)	Wenstrup
Lamborn	Rogers (KY)	Westerman
Latta	Rohrabacher	Williams
Lewis (MN)	Rokita	Wilson (SC)
Long	Rooney, Thomas	Wittman
Love	J.	Womack
Lucas	Roskam	Woodall
Luetkemeyer	Rothfus	Yoder
MacArthur	Rouzer	Yoho
Marchant	Russell	Young (AK)
Marshall	Rutherford	Young (IA)

NOT VOTING-16

Bridenstine Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Clyburn Lawson (FL) Ross Loudermilk Scalise DeLauro Marino Tiberi Diaz-Balart Posey Rooney, Francis

Garrett

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1800

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 155 OFFERED BY MR. MURPHY OF PENNSYLVANIA

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. MURPHY) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate The amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 198, noes 219, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 504] AYES-198

Abraham	Bera	Bost
Adams	Bergman	Brooks (IN)
Aguilar	Bilirakis	Brown (MD)
Amodei	Bishop (GA)	Brownley (CA)
Bacon	Bishop (MI)	Buchanan
Barletta	Bishop (UT)	Buck
Barr	Blum	Bucshon
Bass	Blumenauer	Burgess
Beatty	Bonamici	Butterfield

Carbajal Jenkins (WV) Carter (GA) Johnson (LA) Cheney Johnson (OH) Cleaver Johnson, E. B. Collins (GA) Jones Collins (NY) Kaptur Cooper Katko Costello (PA) Kelly (IL) Crawford Kelly (PA) Cuellar Kind King (IA) Curbelo (FL) Davis Rodney King (NY) DeFazio Kinzinger Delaney Kuster (NH) DelBene LaHood Dent LaMalfa Deutch Lance Larsen (WA) Donovan Dunn Latta Eshoo Lawrence Estes (KS) Lee Lieu, Ted Farenthold Faso Lipinski Ferguson LoBiondo Fitzpatrick Loebsack Fortenberry Luetkemeyer Foster Lvnch Fudge MacArthur Gabbard Mast McCarthy Gaetz Gallagher McHenry Garamendi McKinley Gianforte McMorris Gibbs Rodgers Gohmert McNerney Gonzalez (TX) McSally Gottheimer Meehan Gowdy Meeks Graves (LA) Messer Green, Al Mitchell Green, Gene Mooney (WV) Griffith Mullin Murphy (PA) Guthrie Hanabusa Newhouse Handel Noem Harper Nolan Hartzler O'Halleran Hastings O'Rourke Herrera Beutler Palmer Higgins (LA) Panetta Paulsen Hudson Pearce Huizenga Perlmutter Hultgren Perry Hunter Peters Jackson Lee Peterson Poliquin Jeffries

NOES-219

Aderholt

Arrington

Banks (IN)

Blunt Rochester

Boyle, Brendan

Brady (PA)

Brady (TX)

Brooks (AL)

Brat

Budd

Bustos

Calvert

Capuano

Cárdenas Carson (IN)

Carter (TX)

Cartwright

Castor (FL)

Castro (TX)

Clarke (NY) Clay Coffman

Chabot Chu, Judy Cicilline Clark (MA)

Cohen

Comer

Cole

Barragán

Barton

Beyer

Biggs

Black Blackburn

Allen Amash

Babin

NOED 210	
Comstock	Frelinghuysen
Conaway	Gallego
Connolly	Gomez
Conyers	Goodlatte
Cook	Gosar
Correa	Granger
Courtney	Graves (GA)
Cramer	Grijalva
Crist	Grothman
Crowley	Gutiérrez
Culberson	Harris
Cummings	Heck
Davidson	Hensarling
Davis (CA)	Hice, Jody B.
Davis, Danny	Higgins (NY)
DeGette	Himes
Demings	Holding
Denham	Hollingsworth
DeSantis	Hoyer
DeSaulnier	Huffman
DesJarlais	Hurd
Dingell	Issa
Doggett	Jayapal
Doyle, Michael	Johnson (GA)
F.	Johnson, Sam
Duffy	Jordan
Duncan (SC)	Joyce (OH)
Duncan (TN)	Keating
Ellison	Kelly (MS)
Emmer	Kennedy
Engel	Khanna
Espaillat	Kihuen
Esty (CT)	Kildee
Evans	Kilmer
Fleischmann	Knight
Flores	Krishnamoorthi
Foxx	Kustoff (TN)
Frankel (FL)	Labrador
Franks (AZ)	Lamborn

Norman Sensenbrenner Langevin Larson (CT) Nunes Serrano Levin Olson Sessions Lewis (GA) Palazzo Simpson Lewis (MN) Pallone Sires Lofgren Pascrell Slaughter Long Pavne Smith (NE) Love Pelosi Smith (TX) Lowenthal Pingree Soto Lowey Pittenger Speier Lucas Pocan Stewart Poe (TX) Lujan Grisham. Swalwell (CA) Price (NC) M. Takano Luján, Ben Ray Quigley Taylor Maloney, Raskin Titus Carolyn B. Ratcliffe Tonko Maloney, Sean Rice (NY) Tsongas Marchant Roby Valadao Rogers (KY) Marshall Vargas Massie Rohrabacher Veasey Matsui Rosen Velázquez McCaul Roybal-Allard Walker McClintock Ruiz Walz Ruppersberger McCollum Wasserman McEachin Rush Schultz McGovern Russell Waters, Maxine Rvan (OH) Meadows Watson Coleman Meng Sánchez Weber (TX) Moolenaar Sarbanes Welch Schakowsky Moore Williams Moulton Schiff Wilson (FL) Murphy (FL) Schneider Wittman Schweikert Nadler Napolitano Scott (VA) Womack Nea1 Scott, Austin Yarmuth Norcross Scott, David Young (AK) NOT VOTING-Graves (MO) Bridenstine Ros-Lehtinen Clyburn Lawson (FL) Ross Loudermilk Scalise DeLauro Marino Tiberi Diaz-Balart Posey Rooney, Francis Garrett ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote).

There is 1 minute remaining.

\sqcap 1804

Mr. PALMER changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 160 OFFERED BY MR. BEN RAY LUJÁN OF NEW MEXICO

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 213, noes 205, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 505] AYES-213

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Adams	Bonamici	Capuano
Aguilar	Boyle, Brendan	Carbajal
Barragán	F.	Cárdenas
Bass	Brady (PA)	Carson (IN)
Beatty	Brooks (IN)	Cartwright
Bera	Brown (MD)	Castor (FL)
Beyer	Brownley (CA)	Castro (TX)
Bishop (GA)	Buck	Chu, Judy
Blumenauer	Bustos	Cicilline
Blunt Rochester	Butterfield	Clark (MA)

Quigley

Murphy (PA)

Newhouse

Noem

Nunes

Olson

Palazzo

Palmer

Pittenger

Poe (TX)

Poliquin

Ratcliffe

Renacci

Rice (SC)

Roe (TN)

Rogers (AL)

Rogers (KY)

Rohrabacher

Rooney, Thomas

Roby

Rokita.

J. Roskam

Rothfus

Russell

Sanford

Sessions

Shimkus

Rouzer Royce (CA)

Rutherford

Schweikert

Scott, Austin

Sensenbrenner

Perry

Norman

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Clarke (NY)	Johnson (GA	
Clay	Johnson, E.	
Cleaver	Jones	
Cohen	Kaptur	
Collins (GA)	Katko	
Connolly	Keating	
Conyers	Kelly (IL)	
Cooper	Kennedy	
Correa	Khanna	
Costello (PA)	Kihuen	
Courtney	Kildee	
Crist	Kilmer Kind	
Crowley Cuellar	Krishnamoo:	,
Cummings	Kuster (NH)	_
Curbelo (FL)	Langevin	
Davis (CA)	Larsen (WA))
Davis, Danny	Larson (CT)	
Davis, Rodney	Lawrence	
DeFazio	Lee	
DeGette	Levin	
Delaney	Lewis (GA)	
DelBene	Lieu, Ted	
Demings	Lipinski	
DeSaulnier	Loebsack	
Deutch	Lofgren	
Dingell	Lowenthal	
Doggett Doyle, Michael	Lowey Lujan Grish:	_
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Ellison	Luján, Ben I	2
Engel	Lynch	•
Eshoo	Maloney,	
Espaillat	Carolyn B	
Esty (CT)	Maloney, Se	ε
Evans	Mast	
Fitzpatrick	Matsui	
Foster	McCollum	
Frankel (FL)	McEachin	
Fudge	McGovern	
Gabbard Gallego	McNerney McSally	
Garamendi	Meeks	
Gomez	Meng	
Gonzalez (TX)	Mooney (WV	7
Gottheimer	Moore	
Green, Al	Moulton	
Green, Gene	Murphy (FL)
Grijalva	Nadler	
Gutiérrez	Napolitano	
Hanabusa	Neal	
Hastings	Nolan	
Heck	Norcross	
Herrera Beutler	O'Halleran	
Higgins (NY) Himes	O'Rourke Pallone	
Hoyer	Panetta	
Huffman	Pascrell	
Hurd	Paulsen	
Jackson Lee	Payne	
Jayapal	Pearce	
Jeffries	Pelosi	
Jenkins (WV)	Perlmutter	

Johnson (GA) Peters Johnson, E. B. Peterson Pingree Pocan Polis Price (NC) Quigley Raskin Reed Reichert Rice (NY) Richmond Rosen Krishnamoorthi Roybal-Allard Ruiz Ruppersberger Rush Ryan (OH) Sánchez Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schneider Schrader Scott (VA) Scott, David Serrano Sewell (AL) Lujan Grisham, Shea-Porter Sherman Luján, Ben Ray Sinema Sires Slaughter Carolyn B. Smith (WA) Maloney, Sean Soto Speier Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Titus Tonko Mooney (WV) Torres Trott Tsongas Upton Murphy (FL) Vargas Veasey Vela Velázquez Visclosky Walden Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Welch

Perlmutter NOES-205

Coffman Abraham Aderholt Cole Collins (NY) Allen Amash Comer Comstock Amodei Arrington Conaway Babin Cook Cramer Bacon Banks (IN) Crawford Barletta Culberson Davidson Barr Barton Denham Bergman Dent Biggs DeSantis Bilirakis DesJarlais Bishop (MI) Donovan Bishop (UT) Duffy Duncan (SC) Black Blackburn Duncan (TN) Blum Dunn Emmer Brady (TX) Estes (KS) Brat Farenthold Brooks (AL) Faso Ferguson Buchanan Bucshon Fleischmann Budd Flores Fortenberry Burgess Byrne Foxx Calvert Franks (AZ) Carter (GA) Frelinghuysen

Gallagher

Gianforte

Carter (TX)

Chabot

Cheney

Gibbs Gohmert Goodlatte Gosar Gowdy Granger Graves (GA) Graves (LA) Griffith Grothman Guthrie Handel Harper Harris Hartzlei Hensarling Hice, Jody B. Higgins (LA) Hill Holding Hollingsworth Hudson Huizenga Hultgren Hunter Issa Jenkins (KS) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson, Sam Jordan Joyce (OH) Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA)

Wenstrup

Yarmuth

Wilson (FL)

King (IA) King (NY) Kinzinger Knight Kustoff (TN) Labrador LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Lance Latta Lewis (MN) LoBiondo Long Love Lucas Luetkemeyer MacArthur Marchant Marino Marshall Massie McCarthy McCaul McClintock McHenry McKinley McMorris Rodgers Meadows Meehan

Messer

Mullin

Mitchell

Moolenaar

Simpson Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Smucker Stefanik Stewart Stivers Taylor Tenney Thompson (PA) Thornberry Tipton Turner Valadao Wagner Walberg Walker Walorski Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Westerman Williams Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack Woodall Yoder Yoho Young (AK) Young (IA) Zeldin Rooney, Francis

Shuster

NOT VOTING-

Bridenstine Garrett Clyburn Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Lawson (FL) Ross Costa DeLauro Scalise Loudermilk Diaz-Balart Tiberi Posev

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1807

Mr. BARR changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 161 OFFERED BY MRS. LOWEY

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. LOWEY) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 228, noes 188, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 506]

AYES-228

Adams Boyle, Brendan Castor (FL) Castro (TX) Aguilar Brady (PA) Barletta Chu, Judy Barr Brooks (IN) Cicilline Brown (MD) Clark (MA) Barragán Bass Brownley (CA) Clarke (NY) Beatty Bustos Clay Bera Butterfield Cleaver Bishop (GA) Capuano Cohen Connolly Blum Carbajal Blumenauer Cárdenas Conyers Blunt Rochester Carson (IN) Cooper Cartwright Correa Bonamici

Crist Crowley Cuellar Cummings Curbelo (FL) Davis (CA) Davis, Danny DeFazio DeGette Delanev DelBene Demings Dent DeSaulnier Deutch Dingell Doggett Donovan Doyle, Michael Ellison Engel Eshoo Espaillat Esty (CT) Evans Faso Fitzpatrick Foster Frankel (FL) Fudge Gabbard Gaetz Gallego Garamendi Gomez Gonzalez (TX) Gottheimer Green, Al Green, Gene Grijalva Gutiérrez Hanabusa Hastings Heck Herrera Beutler Higgins (NY) Himes Hollingsworth Hoyer Huffman Hurd Jackson Lee Jayapal Johnson (GA) Johnson (LA) Johnson, E. B. Jones Kaptur Keating Kelly (IL)

Abraham

Aderholt

Allen

Babin

Bacon

Barton

Beyer

Biggs

Bost.

Buck

Budd

Bergman

Bilirakis

Bishop (MI)

Bishop (UT)

Blackburn

Brady (TX)

Buchanan

Bucshon

Burgess

Calvert

Chabot

Cheney

Coffman

Carter (GA)

Carter (TX)

Byrne

Brooks (AL)

Amash

Amodei

Arrington

Banks (IN)

Costello (PA)

Courtney

Kennedy

Khanna Raskin Kihuen Reichert Kildee Rice (NY) Kilmer Rice (SC) Kind Richmond King (NY) Rogers (KY) Krishnamoorthi Rosen Kuster (NH) Roybal-Allard Lance Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Lawrence Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Luetkemeyer Lujan Grisham, M. Luján, Ben Ray Lynch Malonev. Carolyn B Maloney, Sean Marino Mast Matsui McCollum McEachin McGovern McNerney Meadows Meeks Meng Moore Moulton Murphy (FL) Nadler Napolitano Neal Nolan Norcross O'Halleran O'Rourke Pallone Panetta Pascrell Payne Pelosi Perlmutter Peters Peterson Pingree Pocan Poliquin Polis Price (NC)

Ruiz Ruppersberger Rush Ryan (OH) Sánchez Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schneider Schrader Scott (VA) Scott, David Serrano Sewell (AL) Shea-Porter Sherman Sinema Sires Slaughter Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Smith (WA) Soto Speier Stefanik Stivers Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano Taylor Tenney Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Thompson (PA) Tipton Titus Tonko Torres Tsongas Upton Vargas Veasev Vela Velázquez Visclosky Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Welch Wilson (FL) Yarmuth Young (AK) Zeldin

NOES-188

Cole Collins (GA) Collins (NY) Comer Comstock Conaway Cook Cramer Crawford Culberson Davidson Davis, Rodney Denham DeSantis Des Jarlais Duffv Duncan (SC) Duncan (TN) Dunn Emmer Estes (KS) Farenthold Ferguson Fleischmann Flores Fortenberry Foxx Franks (AZ) Frelinghuysen Gallagher Gianforte Gibbs

Gohmert Goodlatte Gosar Gowdy Granger Graves (GA) Graves (LA) Griffith Grothman Guthrie Handel Harper Harris Hartzler Hensarling Hice, Jody B. Higgins (LA) Hill Holding Hudson Huizenga Hultgren Hunter Issa. Jenkins (KS) Jenkins (WV) Johnson (OH) Johnson, Sam Jordan Joyce (OH)

Kelly (MS)

Kelly (PA)

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NOT VOTING-17

Rooney, Francis Black Diaz-Balart Brat Garrett Ros-Lehtinen Bridenstine Graves (MO) Ross Clyburn Lawson (FL) Scalise Loudermilk Costa Tiberi DeLauro Posey

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1810

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 164 OFFERED BY MR. COURTNEY

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. COURTNEY) on which further ceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 204, noes 212, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 507]

AYES-204

Adams Capuano Crist Crowley Aguilar Cárdenas Carson (IN) Barragán Cuellar Bass Cartwright Cummings Beatty Castor (FL) Curbelo (FL) Bera. Castro (TX) Davis (CA) Davis, Danny Beyer Chu, Judy Cicilline Bishop (GA) DeFazio Clark (MA) Blumenauer DeGette Blunt Rochester Clarke (NY) Delaney Bonamici Clay Cleaver DelBene Boyle, Brendan Demings Cohen DeSaulnier Brady (PA) Connolly Deutch Brown (MD) Dingell Convers Brownley (CA) Correa Doggett Costello (PA) Doyle, Michael Bustos Butterfield Courtney

Ellison Levin Engel Lewis (GA) Eshoo Lieu, Ted Espaillat Lininski Esty (CT) LoBiondo Evans Loebsack Fitzpatrick Lowenthal Foster Lowey Frankel (FL) Luetkemeyer Fudge Gabbard Lujan Grisham. M. Gallego Luján, Ben Ray Garamendi Maloney, Carolyn B. Gomez Gonzalez (TX) Maloney, Sean Gottheimer Matsui Green, Al McCaul Green, Gene McCollum Grijalva McEachin Gutiérrez McGovern Hanabusa McKinley McNerney Hastings Heck Meeks Herrera Beutler Meng Higgins (NY) Moore Himes Moulton Hover Nadler Napolitano Huffman Jackson Lee Neal Javapal Nolan Jeffries Norcross Jenkins (WV) O'Halleran Johnson (GA) O'Rourke Johnson, E. B. Olson Kaptur Pallone Katko Panetta Keating Pascrell Kelly (IL) Pavne Kennedy Pelosi Perlmutter Khanna Kihuen Peters Peterson Kildee Kilmer Pingree Kind Pocan Poe (TX) Krishnamoorthi Kuster (NH) Polis Price (NC) Lance Langevin Quigley Larsen (WA) Raskin Larson (CT) Reichert

Lawrence

Allen

Amash

Amodei

Bahin

Bacon

Barr

Barton

Biggs

Blum

Bost

Brat

Buck

Budd

Byrne

Calvert

Chabot

Chenev

Comer

Cook

Cooper

NOES-212

Rice (NY)

Richmond

Cramer Abraham Aderholt Crawford Hill Culberson Holding Davidson Davis, Rodney Hudson Arrington Denham Huizenga Dent. Hultgren DeSantis Hunter Banks (IN) DesJarlais Hurd Barletta Donovan Issa Duffy Duncan (SC) Bergman Duncan (TN) Dunn Bilirakis Emmer Jones Estes (KS) Bishop (MI) Jordan Bishop (UT) Farenthold Joyce (OH) Blackburn Faso Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) Ferguson Fleischmann King (IA) Brady (TX) Flores King (NY) Fortenberry Kinzinger Brooks (AL) Foxx Knight Franks (AZ) Brooks (IN) Buchanan Frelinghuysen Labrador LaHood Bucshon Gallagher LaMalfa Gianforte Lamborn Burgess Gibbs Latta Lewis (MN) Gohmert Goodlatte Long Carbajal Gosar Love Carter (GA) Gowdy Lucas Carter (TX) Granger Lynch Graves (GA) MacArthur Graves (LA) Marchant Coffman Griffith Marino Cole Collins (GA) Grothman Marshall Guthrie Massie Collins (NY) Handel Mast Harper McCarthy Comstock Harris Hartzler Conaway McHenry Hensarling McMorris Hice, Jody B. Rodgers

Rosen Roybal-Allard Ruiz Ruppersberger Rush Ryan (OH) Sánchez Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schneider Schrader Schweikert Scott (VA) Scott, David Serrano Sewell (AL) Shea-Porter Sherman Sinema Sires Slaughter Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Smith (WA) Soto Speier Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Tipton Titus Tonko Torres Tsongas Vargas Veasey Vela Velázquez Visclosky Walz. Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Weber (TX) Welch Wilson (FL) Yarmuth

Higgins (LA) Hollingsworth Jenkins (KS) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson, Sam Kustoff (TN) McClintock

Thompson (PA) Rogers (AL) McSally Meadows Rogers (KY) Thornberry Meehan Rohrabacher Trott Messer Rokita. Turner Mitchell Rooney, Thomas Upton Moolenaar .T Valadao Mooney (WV) Roskam Wagner Mullin Rothfus Walberg Murphy (FL) Rouzer Walden Royce (CA) Murphy (PA) Walker Russell Newhouse Walorski Noem Rutherford Walters, Mimi Norman Sanford Webster (FL) Scott, Austin Nunes Wenstrup Palazzo Sensenbrenner Westerman Palmer Sessions Paulsen Shimkus Williams Wilson (SC) Pearce Shuster Wittman Perry Simpson Pittenger Smith (MO) Womack Poliquin Smith (NE) Woodall Ratcliffe Smucker Yoder Reed Stefanik Yoho Renacci Stewart Young (AK) Rice (SC) Stivers Young (IA) Roby Roe (TN) Taylor Zeldin Tennev

NOT VOTING-

Rooney, Francis Black Garrett Bridenstine Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Clyburn Lawson (FL) Ross Lofgren Costa Scalise Loudermilk DeLauro Tiberi Diaz-Balart Posev

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR.

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1813

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 167 OFFERED BY MR. LEWIS OF MINNESOTA

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. LEWIS) which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR, A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 153, noes 263, answered "present" 1, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 508]

AYES-153

Budd Abraham Emmer Allen Burgess Estes (KS) Arrington Byrne Farenthold Carter (GA) Babin Faso Banks (IN) Carter (TX) Ferguson Barletta Chabot Fitzpatrick Barr Collins (GA) Flores Barton Comer Foxx Costello (PA) Bergman Franks (AZ) Biggs Gallagher Cramer Bilirakis Culberson Gianforte Curbelo (FL) Bishop (MI) Gibbs Goodlatte Blackburn Davidson Davis, Rodney Gosar Bost Brady (TX) DeSantis Gowdy Brat DesJarlais Granger Duffy Duncan (SC) Brooks (AL) Graves (LA) Brooks (IN) Griffith Buchanan Duncan (TN) Grothman Guthrie Buck Dunn

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Handel	McHenry
Harris	McMorris
Hensarling	Rodgers
Herrera Beutler	Messer
Hice, Jody B.	Mitchell
Higgins (LA)	Moolenaar
Holding	Mooney (WV)
Hollingsworth	Murphy (PA)
Hudson	Noem
Hultgren	Norman
Hunter	Olson
Johnson (LA)	Palazzo
Johnson, Sam	Palmer
Jones	Perry
Jordan	Peters
Katko	Peterson
Kelly (MS)	Pittenger
Kelly (PA)	Poe (TX)
King (IA)	Poliquin
Kustoff (TN)	Reed
LaHood	Renacci
Lamborn	Rice (SC)
Latta	Roe (TN)
Lewis (MN)	Rogers (AL)
Luetkemeyer	Rohrabacher
Marchant	Rokita
Marshall	Rouzer
Massie	Royce (CA)
Mast	Rush
McCarthy	Russell
McCaul	Rutherford
McClintock	Sanford
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Schweikert Scott, Austin Sensenbrenner Sessions Shimkus Shuster Smith (TX) Smucker Taylor Tennev Tipton Trott Turner Vela Wagner Walberg Walker Walorski Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams Wittman Woodall Yoder Yoho Young (IA) Zeldin

NOES-263

DeSaulnier

Deutch

Dingell

Doggett

Donovan

Ellison

Engel

Eshoo

Evans

Foster

Fudge

Gaetz

Gabbard

Gallego

Garamendi

Gonzalez (TX)

Gottheimer

Graves (GA)

Green, Gene

Green, Al

Grijalva

Gutiérrez

Hanabusa

Harper

Hartzler

Hastings

Higgins (NY)

Heck

Hill

Himes

Hover

Hurd

Issa

Huffman

Huizenga

Jayapal

Jeffries

Jackson Lee

Jenkins (KS)

Jenkins (WV)

Johnson (GA)

Johnson (OH)

Johnson, E. B.

Joyce (OH)

Kaptur

Keating

Kelly (IL)

Kennedy

Khanna

Kihuen

Kildee

Kilmer

King (NY)

Kinzinger

Kind

Gohmert

Gomez

Espaillat

Estv (CT)

Fleischmann

Frankel (FL)

Frelinghuvsen

Fortenberry

Doyle, Michael

Adams Aderholt Aguilar Amash Amodei Bacon Barragán Bass Beatty Bera. Beyer Bishop (GA) Bishop (UT) Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Bonamici Boyle, Brendan Brady (PA) Brown (MD) Brownley (CA) Bucshon Bustos Butterfield Calvert Capuano Carbajal Cárdenas Carson (IN) Cartwright Castor (FL) Castro (TX) Chenev Chu, Judy Cicilline Clark (MA) Clarke (NY) Clay Cleaver Coffman Cohen Cole Collins (NY) Comstock Conaway Connolly Convers Cook Cooper Correa Courtney Crawford Crist Crowley Cuellar Cummings Davis (CA)

Davis, Danny

DeFazio

DeGette

Delaney DelBene

Demings

Denham

Dent

Knight Krishnamoorthi Kuster (NH) Labrador LaMalfa Lance Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Lawrence Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren Long Love Lowenthal Lowey Lucas Lujan Grisham, M. Luján, Ben Ray Lynch MacArthur Maloney, Carolyn B. Maloney, Sean Marino Matsui McCollum McEachin McGovern McKinley McNernev McSally Meadows Meehan Meeks Meng Moore Moulton Mullin Murphy (FL) Nadler Napolitano Nea1 Newhouse Nolan Norcross Nunes O'Halleran

O'Rourke

Pallone

Panetta

Pascrell

Paulsen

Payne

Pearce

Pelosi

Pingree

Perlmutter

Schrader Pocan Polis Scott (VA) Price (NC) Scott, David Quigley Serrano Sewell (AL) Raskin Ratcliffe Shea-Porter Reichert Sherman Rice (NY) Simpson Richmond Sinema Roby Sires Rogers (KY) Slaughter Rooney, Thomas Smith (MO) Smith (NE) J. Rosen Roskam Smith (WA) Rothfus Soto Roybal-Allard Speier Ruiz Stefanik Ruppersberger Stewart Ryan (OH) Stivers Sánchez Suozzi Sarbanes Swalwell (CA) Schakowsky Takano Thompson (CA)

Schiff

Schneider

Thompson (PA) Thornberry Titus Tonko Torres Tsongas Upton Valadao Vargas Veasev Velázquez Visclosky Walden Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Welch Wilson (FL) Wilson (SC) Womack Yarmuth Young (AK)

Thompson (MS) ANSWERED "PRESENT"-1

Blum

NOT VOTING-16

Ros-Lehtinen Black Garrett Graves (MO) Bridenstine Ross Clyburn Lawson (FL) Scalise Costa Loudermilk Tiberi DeLauro Posev Rooney, Francis

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1817

Mr. GOHMERT changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 168 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman (Mr. from Wisconsin GROTHMAN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

will redesignate The Clerk amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 131, noes 285, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 509]

AYES-131

Burgess Allen Franks (AZ) Amash Byrne Gaetz Arrington Carter (GA) Gallagher Babin Chabot Gianforte Collins (GA) Bacon Gibbs Banks (IN) Comer Gohmert Barr Conaway Goodlatte Bergman Crawford Gosar Biggs Bilirakis Culberson Graves (GA) Davidson Graves (LA) Bishop (MI) Griffith DeSantis Bishop (UT) DesJarlais Grothman Duncan (SC) Blackburn Guthrie Blum Duncan (TN) Harris Brat Dunn Hartzler Brooks (AL) Emmer Hensarling Hice, Jody B. Buchanan Estes (KS) Buck Farenthold Higgins (LA) Hill Flores Budd

Holding Hollingsworth Hudson Huizenga Hunter Jenkins (KS) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson, Sam Jones Jordan Kelly (MS) King (IA) Kustoff (TN) Labrador LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Lewis (MN) Long Love Marchant Marshall Massie McCarthy

F.

Royce (CA) McClintock Russell McMorris Sanford Rodgers Schweikert Meadows Scott, Austin Messer Sensenbrenner Sessions Smith (MO) Mooney (WV) Mullin Smith (NE) Noem Norman Smith (TX) Olson Stewart Palazzo Taylor Palmer Thornberry Pearce Wagner Perry Walker Pittenger Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Poe (TX) Ratcliffe Webster (FL) Wenstrup Renacci Rice (SC) Westerman Roe (TN) Wilson (SC) Rohrabacher Wittman Woodall Rothfus Yoho Rouzer Young (IA) NOES-285

McCaul

DeSaulnier Abraham Adams Aderholt Deutch Dingel1 Aguilar Doggett Amodei Donovan Dovle, Michael Barletta Barragán Duffy Ellison Barton Bass Beatty Engel BeraEshoo Espaillat Beyer Bishop (GA) Esty (CT) Blumenauer Evans Blunt Rochester Faso Ferguson Bonamici Bost Fitzpatrick Fleischmann Boyle, Brendan Fortenberry Brady (PA) Foster Brady (TX) Foxx Brooks (IN) Frankel (FL) Brown (MD) Frelinghuysen Brownley (CA) Fudge Gabbard Bucshon Bustos Gallego Butterfield Garamendi Calvert Gomez Gonzalez (TX) Capuano Carbajal Gottheimer Cárdenas Gowdy Carson (IN) Granger Green, Al Carter (TX Cartwright Green Gene Grijalya Castor (FL) Castro (TX) Gutiérrez Cheney Hanabusa Chu, Judy Handel Cicilline Harper Clark (MA) Hastings Heck Clarke (NY) Herrera Beutler Clay Higgins (NY) Cleaver Coffman Himes Hoyer Cohen Cole Huffman Collins (NY) Hultgren Comstock Hurd Connolly Issa Jackson Lee Conyers Cook Jayapal Cooper Jeffries Correa Jenkins (WV) Costello (PA) Johnson (GA) Johnson, E. B. Courtney Joyce (OH) Cramer Kaptur Katko Crist Crowley Cuellar Keating Cummings Kelly (IL) Kelly (PA) Curbelo (FL) Davis (CA) Kennedy Davis, Danny Khanna Davis, Rodney Kihuen DeFazio Kildee DeGette Kilmer Delaney Kind DelBene King (NY) Demings Kinzinger Denham Knight Krishnamoorthi Dent

Kuster (NH) Lance Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Latta Lawrence Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Lucas Luetkemeyer Lujan Grisham, Luján, Ben Ray Lynch MacArthur Maloney, Carolyn B. Maloney, Sean Marino Mast Matsui McCollum McEachin McGovern McHenry McKinley McNerney McSally Meehan Meeks Meng Mitchell Moolenaar Moore Moulton Murphy (FL) Murphy (PA) Nadler Napolitano Neal Newhouse Nolan Norcross Nunes O'Halleran O'Rourke Pallone Panetta Paulsen Payne Pelosi Perlmutter Peters Peterson Pingree Pocan

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Price (NC)

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Marchant

Reichert Shea-Porter Trott Rice (NY) Sherman Tsongas Richmond Shimkus Turner Roby Shuster Unton Rogers (AL) Simpson Valadao Rogers (KY) Sinema Vargas Rooney, Thomas Sires Veasey Slaughter Vela Rosen Smith (NJ) Velázquez Smith (WA) Roskam Visclosky Roybal-Allard Smucker Walberg Ruiz Soto Walden Ruppersberger Speier Walorski Stefanik Rutherford Stivers Wasserman Ryan (OH) Schultz Suozzi Sánchez Swalwell (CA) Waters, Maxine Sarbanes Takano Watson Coleman Schakowsky Tenney Welch Schiff Thompson (CA) Williams Schneider Wilson (FL) Thompson (MS) Thompson (PA) Schrader Womack Scott (VA) Yarmuth Tipton Scott David Titus Yoder Tonko Young (AK) Serrano Sewell (AL) Torres Zeldin

NOT VOTING-17

Black Garrett Rooney, Francis Bridenstine Graves (MO) Ros-Lehtinen Clyburn Lawson (FL) Ross Loudermilk Costa Scalise DeLauro Pascrell Tiberi Diaz-Balart Posev

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1821

Mr. PALMER changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 170 OFFERED BY MR. GROTHMAN

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. GROTHMAN) on which further ceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate amendment

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—aves 175, noes 241. not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 510]

AYES-175 Abraham Buchanan Duncan (SC) Aderholt Buck Duncan (TN) Allen Bucshon Dunn Amash Budd Emmer Burgess Estes (KS) Arrington Babin Byrne Farenthold Carter (GA) Bacon Ferguson Banks (IN) Carter (TX) Fleischmann Barr Chabot Flores Franks (AZ) Barton Cheney Bergman Coffman Gaetz Gallagher Collins (GA) Biggs Bilirakis Comer Gianforte Gibbs Bishop (MI) Bishop (UT) Comstock Gohmert Conaway Blackburn Crawford Goodlatte Blum Culberson Gosar Brady (TX) Davidson Gowdy DeSantis Brat Granger Brooks (AL) Graves (GA) Des Jarlais Brooks (IN) Duffy Graves (LA)

Griffith Grothman Guthrie Handel Harper Harris Hartzler Hensarling Hice, Jody B. Higgins (LA) Hill Holding Hollingsworth Hudson Huizenga Hultgren Hunter Hurd Issa Jenkins (KS) Jenkins (WV) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson, Sam Jones Jordan Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) King (IA) Kustoff (TN) Labrador LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Latta Lewis (MN) Long

Adams

Aguilar

Amodei

Barletta

Barragán

Rass

Bera

Beyer

Bishop (GA)

Blumenauer

Bonamici

F. Brady (PA)

Bustos

Calvert

Capuano

Carbajal

Cárdenas

Carson (IN)

Cartwright

Castor (FL)

Castro (TX)

Chu, Judy

Clark (MA)

Clarke (NY)

Collins (NY)

Costello (PA)

Connolly

Convers

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Courtney

Cramer

Crowley

Cuellar

Cummings

Davis (CA)

DeFazio

DeGette

Delanev

DelBene

Demings

Curbelo (FL)

Davis, Danny

Davis, Rodney

Crist

Cicilline

Clay

Cleaver

Cohen

Blunt Rochester

Boyle, Brendan

Brown (MD)

Butterfield

Brownley (CA)

Beatty

Marshall Massie Mast McCarthy McCaul McClintock McHenry McMorris Rodgers McSally Meadows Messer Mitchell Mooney (WV) Mullin Newhouse Noem Norman Olson Palazzo Palmer Paulsen Pearce Perry Pittenger Poe (TX) Ratcliffe Renacci Rice (SC) Roby Roe (TN) Rogers (AL) Rohrabacher Rokita Rooney, Thomas Rouzer Royce (CA) Russell Rutherford Sanford Schweikert Scott, Austin Sensenbrenner Sessions Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (TX) Smucker Stewart Taylor Thornberry Tipton Upton Wagner Walberg Walker Walorski Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams Wittman Womack Woodall Yoder Yoho Young (IA) Zeldin

Roskam

Rothfus

NOES-241 Denham Knight Krishnamoorthi Dent DeSaulnier Kuster (NH) Deutch Lance Langevin Dingell Doggett Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Donovan Doyle, Michael Lawrence Lee Ellison Levin Lewis (GA) Engel Eshoo Lieu. Ted Espaillat Lipinski Esty (CT) LoBiondo Evans Loebsack Lofgren Faso Fitzpatrick Lowenthal Fortenberry Lowey Foster Lucas Lujan Grisham, Foxx Frankel (FL) M Frelinghuysen Luján, Ben Ray Fudge Lynch Gabbard MacArthur Gallego Maloney, Carolyn B. Garamendi Malonev. Sean Gomez Gonzalez (TX) Marino Gottheimer Matsui McCollum Green, Al Green, Gene McEachin Grijalya McGovern McKinley Gutiérrez Hanabusa McNerney Hastings Meehan Heck Meeks Herrera Beutler Meng Higgins (NY) Moolenaar Moore Himes Hoyer Moulton Murphy (FL) Huffman Murphy (PA) Jackson Lee Jayapal Nadler Napolitano Jeffries Johnson (GA) Neal Johnson, E. B. Nolan Norcross Joyce (OH) Kaptur Nunes Katko O'Halleran O'Rourke Keating Kelly (IL) Pallone Kennedy Panetta Khanna Pascrell Kihuen Payne Kildee Pelosi Perlmutter Kilmer Kind Peters King (NY) Peterson

Pingree

Kinzinger

Scott, David Poliquin Serrano Sewell (AL) Polis Price (NC) Shea-Porter Quigley Sherman Raskin Shimkus Reed Shuster Reichert Simpson Rice (NY) Sinema Richmond Sires Slaughter Rogers (KY) Rosen Smith (NJ) Roybal-Allard Smith (WA) Ruiz Soto Ruppersberger Speier Stefanik Rush Ryan (OH) Stivers Sánchez Snozzi Swalwell (CA) Sarbanes Schakowsky Takano Schiff Tenney Thompson (CA) Schneider Scott (VA) Thompson (MS)

Tonko Torres Tsongas Turner Valadao Vargas Veasev Vela Velázquez Visclosky Walden Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Welch Wilson (FL) Wilson (SC) Yarmuth Young (AK)

Thompson (PA)

NOT VOTING-17

Black Garrett Ros-Lehtinen Bridenstine Graves (MO) Clyburn Lawson (FL) Scalise Costa Loudermilk Schrader DeLauro Posey Tiberi Rooney, Francis Diaz-Balart

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1824

So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 172 OFFERED BY MR. MEADOWS

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. Meadows) on which further ceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—aves 178, noes 238. answered "present" 1, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 511] AYES-178

Abraham Carter (GA) Ferguson Fleischmann Allen Carter (TX) Amash Flores Amodei Chenev Franks (AZ) Arrington Coffman Frelinghuysen Bacon Banks (IN) Collins (GA) Gallagher Barletta Collins (NY) Gianforte Gibbs Barr Comer Barton Conaway Gohmert Goodlatte Biggs Cook Bilirakis Cramer Gosar Bishop (MI) Crawford Gowdy Bishop (UT) Culberson Granger Blackburn Davidson Graves (GA) Davis Rodney Blum Graves (LA) Griffith Bost DeSantis Brady (TX) DesJarlais Grothman Brat Duffv Handel Duncan (SC) Buchanan Harris Buck Duncan (TN) Hartzler Bucshon Hice, Jody B. Dunn Emmer Budd Higgins (LA) Burgess Estes (KS) Hill Holding Calvert Farenthold

Rooney, Thomas

Rokita

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Hollingsworth	McKinley
Hudson	McMorris
Hultgren	Rodgers
Hunter	Meadows
Hurd	Messer
Jenkins (WV)	Mitchell
Johnson (LA)	Mooney (WV)
Johnson (OH)	Mullin
Johnson, Sam	Murphy (PA)
Jones	Newhouse
Jordan	Noem
Joyce (OH)	Norman
Kelly (MS)	Olson
Kelly (PA)	Palazzo
King (IA)	Palmer
Knight	Pearce
Kustoff (TN)	Perry
Labrador	Poe (TX)
LaHood	Poliquin
LaMalfa	Ratcliffe
Lamborn	Renacci
Latta	Rice (SC)
Lewis (MN)	Roby
Long	Roe (TN)
Love	Rogers (AL)
Lucas	Rogers (KY)
Luetkemeyer	Rohrabacher
Marchant	Rokita
Marino	Roskam
Marshall	Rothfus
Massie	Rouzer
Mast	Russell
McCaul	Sanford
McClintock	Schweikert
McHenry	Scott, Austin

Sensenbrenner Sessions Shimkus Shuster Sinema Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (TX) Smucker Stewart Stivers Taylor Tenney Thornberry Tipton Turner Valadao Wagner Walberg Walker Walorski Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack Woodall Yoho Young (IA) Zeldin

NOES-238

Doyle, Michael

Doggett

Donovan

Ellison

Engel

Eshoo

Evans

Faso

Foster

Fudge Gabbard

Gallego

Gomez

Garamendi

Gottheimer

Green, Gene

Green Al

Grijalva

Guthrie

Gutiérrez

Hanabusa

Harper

Heck

Himes

Hoyer

Issa

Huffman

Jayapal

Jeffries

Kaptur

Katko

Keating

Kelly (IL)

Kennedy

Khanna

Kihuen

Kildee

Kilmei

King (NY)

Kinzinger

Kuster (NH)

Larsen (WA)

Langevin

Krishnamoorthi

Kind

Hastings

Hensarling

Higgins (NY)

Jackson Lee

Jenkins (KS)

Johnson (GA)

Johnson, E. B.

Herrera Beutler

Gonzalez (TX)

Foxx

Espaillat

Esty (CT)

Fitzpatrick

Fortenberry

Frankel (FL)

Adams Aderholt Aguilar Babin Barragán Bass Beatty Bera Bergman Bever Bishop (GA) Blumenauer Blunt Rochester Bonamici Boyle, Brendan Brady (PA) Brooks (AL) Brooks (IN) Brown (MD) Brownley (CA) Bustos Butterfield Byrne Capuano Carbajal Cárdenas Carson (IN) Cartwright Castor (FL) Castro (TX) Chu, Judy Cicilline Clark (MA) Clarke (NY) Clav Cleaver Cohen Comstock Connolly Convers Cooper Correa Costello (PA) Courtney Crist Crowley Cuellar Cummings Curbelo (FL) Davis (CA) Davis, Danny DeFazio DeGette Delaney DelBene Demings Denham Dent

DeSaulnier

Deutch

Dingell

Larson (CT) Lawrence Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Lujan Grisham, Luján, Ben Ray Lynch MacArthur Maloney, Carolyn B. Maloney, Sean Matsui McCarthy McCollum McEachin McGovern McNerney McSallv Meehan Meeks Meng Moolenaar Moore Moulton Murphy (FL) Nadler Napolitano Neal Nolan Norcross Nunes O'Halleran O'Rourke Pallone Panetta Pascrell Paulsen Pavne Pelosi Perlmutter Peters

Peterson

Pingree

Pocan

Polis

Pittenger

Price (NC)

Quigley

Raskin

Reichert

Rice (NY)

Richmond

Reed

Shea-Porter Tsongas Rooney, Thomas Sherman J. Unton Rosen Simpson Vargas Roybal-Allard Sires Veasey Slaughter Royce (CA) Vela. Ruiz Smith (NJ) Velázguez Ruppersberger Smith (WA) Visclosky Soto Rush Walden Rutherford Speier Walz Rvan (OH) Stefanik Wasserman Sánchez Suozzi Schultz Swalwell (CA) Sarbanes Waters, Maxine Schakowsky Takano Watson Coleman Thompson (CA) Schiff Schneider Welch Thompson (MS) Wilson (FL) Schrader Thompson (PA) Scott (VA) Yarmuth Scott David Tonko Yoder Young (AK) Torres Serrano Sewell (AL) TrottANSWERED "PRESENT"-1

Huizenga

NOT VOTING-16

Black Garrett Ros-Lehtinen Bridenstine Graves (MO) Ross Clyburn Lawson (FL) Scalise Costa Loudermilk Tiberi DeLauro Posey Rooney, Francis Diaz-Balart

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1827

Mr. PITTENGER changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

Mr. AMODEI changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 173 OFFERED BY MR. WALBERG

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Michigan Walberg) on which further ceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—aves 221, noes 196. not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 512]

AYES-221

Abraham Brat Cook Aderholt Brooks (AL) Costello (PA) Allen Brooks (IN) Cramer Amash Crawford Buchanan Amodei Buck Cuellar Arrington Bucshon Culberson Curbelo (FL) Babin Budd Davidson Bacon Burgess Banks (IN) Davis, Rodney Byrne Calvert Barletta Denham Barr Carter (GA) Dent Barton DeSantis Carter (TX) Bergman Chabot DesJarlais Biggs Bilirakis Duffy Duncan (SC) Cheney Coffman Bishop (MI) Cole Duncan (TN) Collins (GA) Collins (NY) Bishop (UT) Dunn Emmer Blackburn Estes (KS) Blum Comer Comstock Farenthold Bost. Brady (TX) Faso Conaway

Ferguson LaHood Fleischmann LaMalfa Flores Fortenberry Foxx Franks (AZ) Frelinghuysen Gaetz Gallagher Gianforte Gibbs Gohmert Goodlatte Gosar Gowdy Granger Graves (GA) Graves (LA) Griffith Grothman Guthrie Handel Harper Harris Hartzler Hensarling Herrera Beutler Hice, Jody B. Higgins (LA) Hill Holding Hollingsworth Hudson Huizenga Hultgren Hunter Hurd Issa Jenkins (KS) Jenkins (WV) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson, Sam Jones Jordan Joyce (OH) Katko Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) King (IA) Kinzinger Knight Kustoff (TN) Labrador

Lamborn Lance Roskam Latta Rothfus Lewis (MN) Rouzer Royce (CA) Long Love Russell Lucas Rutherford Luetkemever Sanford Marchant Schweikert Marino Scott, Austin Marshall Sensenbrenner Sessions Mast Shimkus McCarthy Shuster McCaul Simpson McClintock Smith (MO) McHenry Smith (NE) McKinley Smith (TX) McMorris Smucker Rodgers McSally Stefanik Stewart Meadows Stivers Meehan Messer Taylor Mitchell Tenney Moolenaar Thompson (PA) Mooney (WV) Thornberry Mullin Tipton Murphy (PA) ${\bf Trott}$ Newhouse Turner Noem Upton Norman Valadao Nunes Wagner Olson Walberg Palazzo Walden Palmer Walker Paulsen Walorski Pearce Walters, Mimi Perry Weber (TX) Pittenger Webster (FL) Poe (TX) Wenstrup Poliquin Ratcliffe Westerman Williams Reed Wilson (SC) Reichert Wittman Renacci Rice (SC) Womack Woodall Roby Roe (TN) Yoder Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Yoho Young (IA) Zeldin NOES-196

DeGette Adams Aguilar Delaney Barragán DelBene Bass Demings Beatty DeSaulnier Bera Deutch Beyer Dingell Bishop (GA) Doggett Blumenauer Donovan Blunt Rochester Doyle, Michael Bonamici Ellison Boyle, Brendan F. Engel Brady (PA) Eshoo Brown (MD) Espaillat Brownley (CA) Esty (CT) Bustos Evans Butterfield Fitzpatrick Capuano Foster Frankel (FL) Carbajal Cárdenas Fudge Gabbard Carson (IN) Cartwright Gallego Garamendi Castor (FL) Castro (TX) Gomez Chu, Judy Cicilline Gonzalez (TX) Gottheimer Clark (MA) Green, Al Clarke (NY) Green, Gene Grijalva Clav Cleaver Gutiérrez Cohen Hanabusa Connolly Hastings Conyers Heck Higgins (NY) Cooper Correa Himes Courtney Hoyer Huffman Crist Crowley Jackson Lee Cummings Jayapal Davis (CA) Jeffries Davis, Danny Johnson (GA)

DeFazio

Kaptur Keating Kelly (IL) Kennedy Khanna Kihuen Kildee Kilmer Kind King (NY) Krishnamoorthi Kuster (NH) Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Lawrence Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Lujan Grisham, Luján, Ben Ray Lvnch MacArthur Maloney, Carolyn B. Maloney, Sean Matsui McCollum McEachin McGovern McNerney Meeks

Meng

Moore

Moulton

Johnson, E. B.

Torres Trott

Taylor

Tipton

Upton

Wagner

Walker

Yoder

Yoho

Zeldin

Young (IA)

Murphy (FL) Nadler Napolitano Nea1 Nolan Norcross O'Halleran O'Rourke Pallone Panetta Pascrell Payne Pelosi Perlmutter Peters Peterson Pingree Pocan Polis Price (NC) Quiglev Raskin Rice (NY)

Richmond

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Speier Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Titus Tonko Torres Tsongas Vargas Veasev Vela Velázquez Visclosky Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Welch Wilson (FL) Yarmuth Young (AK) Ros-Lehtinen

Jenkins (KS)

Johnson (LA)

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Jordan

Kelly (MS)

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King (IA)

Labrador

LaHood

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Clark (MA)

Clarke (NY)

Collins (NY)

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Davis (CA)

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Dent

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Curbelo (FL)

Davis, Danny

Davis, Rodney

Costello (PA)

Cicilline

Clay

Cleaver

Cohen

Cole

Chenev

Beyer

Bishop (GA)

Blumenauer

Boyle, Brendan

Bonamici

Brady (PA)

Brown (MD)

Butterfield

Brownley (CA)

Beatty

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McSally Meadows Messer Mitchell Mooney (WV) Mullin Noem Norman Olson Palazzo Palmer Perry Pittenger Poe (TX) Poliquin Ratcliffe Rice (SC) Roe (TN) Rogers (AL) Rohrabacher Rokita Rothfus Rouzer Royce (CA) Russell Sanford Schweikert

Sessions Rooney, Thomas Shimkus J. Shuster Rosen Smith (MO) Roskam Smith (TX) Ruiz Stewart Ruppersberger Rush Thornberry Rutherford Rvan (OH) Sánchez Sarbanes Walberg Schakowsky Schiff Walorski Schneider Walters, Mimi Schrader Weber (TX) Scott (VA) Webster (FL) Scott David Wenstrup Serrano Westerman Sewell (AL) Williams Shea-Porter Wilson (SC) Wittman Woodall

Bridenstine

Diaz-Balart

Clyburn

DeLauro

Costa

Simpson Sinema Sires Slaughter Roybal-Allard Smith (NJ) Smith (WA) Smucker Soto Speier Stefanik Stivers Suozzi Swalwell (CA) Takano Tenney Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Thompson (PA) Tonko NOT VOTING-Black Garrett

Sherman

Tsongas Turner Valadao Vargas Veasey Vela Velázquez Visclosky Walden Walz Wasserman Schultz Waters, Maxine Watson Coleman Welch Wilson (FL) Womack Yarmuth Young (AK) Ros-Lehtinen

Ross

Scalise

Tiberi

Smith (NE)

NOT VOTING-

Sires

Soto

Slaughter

Smith (NJ)

Smith (WA)

Black Garrett Graves (MO) Bridenstine Clyburn Lawson (FL) Costa Loudermilk DeLauro Posev Diaz-Balart Rooney, Francis

Ross Scalise Tiberi

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote).

There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1830

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 174 OFFERED BY MRS. BLACKBURN

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—aves 156, noes 260. not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 513]

AYES-156

Abraham Byrne Gibbs Carter (GA) Allen Gohmert Amash Chabot Goodlatte Coffman Gosar Arrington Babin Collins (GA) Gowdy Graves (GA) Bacon Comer Banks (IN) Graves (LA) Conaway Griffith Barton Cramer Crawford Bergman Grothman Davidson Guthrie Biggs Bilirakis DeSantis Handel Bishop (MI) DesJarlais Harris Bishop (UT) Duffy Hartzler Blackburn Duncan (SC) Hensarling Hice, Jody B. Duncan (TN) Blum Brady (TX) Dunn Higgins (LA) Emmer Brat Hill Brooks (AL) Estes (KS) Holding Brooks (IN) Farenthold Hudson Buchanan Ferguson Huizenga Flores Hultgren Buck Bucshon Franks (AZ) Hunter Budd Gaetz Hurd Gianforte Burgess Issa.

Sensenbrenner NOES-260

Scott, Austin

Dingell Lawrence Doggett Lee Donovan Levin Doyle, Michael Lewis (GA) Lieu. Ted Ellison Lipinski Engel LoBiondo Eshoo Loebsack Espaillat Lofgren Esty (CT) Lowenthal Evans Lowey Faso Luetkemever Fitzpatrick Lujan Grisham, Blunt Rochester Fleischmann M Fortenberry Luján, Ben Ray Foster Lynch Foxx MacArthur Frankel (FL) Maloney, Carolyn B. Frelinghuysen Fudge Maloney, Sean Gabbard Marino Gallagher Matsui Gallego McCollum Garamendi McEachin Gomez McGovern Gonzalez (TX) McKinley Gottheimer McNerney Granger Meehan Green, Al Meeks Green Gene Meng Grijalva Moolenaar Gutiérrez Moore Hanabusa Moulton Harper Murphy (FL) Hastings Murphy (PA) Heck Nadler Herrera Beutler Napolitano Higgins (NY) Neal Himes Newhouse Hollingsworth Nolan Hoyer Huffman Norcross Nunes Jackson Lee O'Halleran Jayapal O'Rourke Jeffries Pallone Jenkins (WV) Panetta Johnson (GA) Johnson, E. B. Pascrell Joyce (OH) Paulsen Payne Kaptur Pearce Katko Pelosi Keating Perlmutter Kelly (IL) Kelly (PA) Peters Peterson Kennedy Pingree Khanna Pocan Kihuen Polis Kildee Price (NC) Kilmer Quigley Kind King (NY) Raskin Reed Kinzinger Knight Reichert

Krishnamoorthi

Kuster (NH)

Larsen (WA)

Larson (CT)

Langevin

Renacci

Rice (NY)

Richmond

Rogers (KY)

Cartwright

Roby

There is 1 minute remaining.

□ 1833 So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced

Graves (MO)

Lawson (FL)

Loudermilk

Rooney, Francis

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR.

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote).

Posev

as above recorded.

Stated for: Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Mr. Chair, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 513.

AMENDMENT NO. 186 OFFERED BY MR. ELLISON

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. ELLI-SON) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 191, noes 226, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 514]

AYES-191

Castor (FL) Adams DelBene Castro (TX Demings Aguilar Bacon DeSaulnier Chu, Judy Barragán Cicilline Deutch Clark (MA) Dingell Bass Beatty Clarke (NY) Doggett Bera. Clay Cleaver Doyle, Michael Beyer Bishop (GA) Cohen Duncan (TN) Connolly Blumenauer Ellison Blunt Rochester Emmer Convers Engel Bonamici Cooper Boyle, Brendan Correa Eshoo Courtney Espaillat Brady (PA) CristEsty (CT) Brown (MD) Crowley Evans Brownley (CA) Cuellar Foster Bustos Cummings Frankel (FL) Butterfield Davis (CA) Fudge Davis, Danny Gabbard Capuano Cárdenas DeFazio Gallego Carson (IN) DeGette Garamendi

Delaney

Gomez

Rutherford

Schweikert

Sanford

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Jovce (OH)

Kelly (MS)

Kelly (PA)

King (IA)

King (NY)

Kinzinger

Katko

NOES-226

Donovan

Duncan (SC)

Estes (KS)

Ferguson

Farenthold

Fitzpatrick

Fleischmann

Fortenberry

Franks (AZ)

Frelinghuysen

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Graves (GA)

Graves (LA)

Gallagher

Gianforte

Gohmert

Gonzalez (TX) Goodlatte

Abraham Aderholt Allen Amash Amodei Arrington Babin Banks (IN) Barletta Barr Barton Bergman Biggs Bilirakis Bishop (MI) Bishop (UT) Blackburn Blum Bost Brady (TX) Brat Brooks (AL) Brooks (IN) Buchanan Buck Bucshon Budd Burgess Byrne Calvert Carbajal Carter (GA) Carter (TX) Chabot Cheney Coffman Cole Collins (GA) Collins (NY) Comer Comstock Conaway Cook Costello (PA) Cramer Crawford Culberson Curbelo (FL) Davidson Davis, Rodney Denham Dent

DeSantis

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Knight Kustoff (TN) Labrador LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Lance Latta Lewis (MN) LoBiondo Long Love Lucas Luetkemeyer MacArthur Marchant Marino Marshall Massie Mast McCarthy McCaul McClintock McHenry McKinley McMorris Rodgers McSally Meadows Meehan Messer Mitchell Moolenaar Mooney (WV) Mullin Murphy (PA) Newhouse Noem Norman Nunes Olson Palazzo Palmer Paulsen Pearce Perry Pittenger

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Blackburn

Brady (TX)

Brat Brooks (AL)

Brooks (IN)

Buchanan

Buck

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Burgess

Arrington

Banks (IN)

Barletta

Schweikert Poe (TX) Upton Poliquin Scott, Austin Valadao Ratcliffe Sensenbrenner Wagner Reed Sessions Walberg Reichert Shimkus Walden Renacci Shuster Walker Rice (SC) Simpson Walorski Roby Roe (TN) Smith (MO) Walters, Mimi Smith (NE) Weber (TX) Smith (NJ) Webster (FL) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Smith (TX) Wenstrup Rohrabacher Smucker Westerman Williams Stefanik Rokita Rooney, Thomas Wilson (SC) Stewart .T Stivers Wittman Roskam Womack Taylor Rothfus Tenney Woodall Thompson (PA) Rouzer Yoder Royce (CA) Thornberry Yoho Russell Young (AK) Rutherford Trott. Young (IA) Zeldin Turner Sanford NOT VOTING-16

Black Garrett Ros-Lehtinen Bridenstine Graves (MO) Ross Clyburn Lawson (FL) Scalise Costa Loudermilk DeLauro Posey Diaz-Balart Rooney, Francis

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

\Box 1836

So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 187 OFFERED BY MR. GIBBS

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. GIBBS) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 215, noes 201, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 515]

AYES-215

Byrne Emmer Estes (KS) Calvert Farenthold Carter (GA) Carter (TX) Ferguson Chabot Fleischmann Cheney Flores Coffman Fortenberry Cole Foxx Franks (AZ) Collins (GA) Collins (NY) Frelinghuysen Comer Gaetz Comstock Gallagher Conaway Gianforte Cook Gibbs Costello (PA) Gohmert Cramer Goodlatte Crawford Gosar Curbelo (FL) Gowdy Davidson Granger Davis, Rodney Graves (GA) Denham Graves (LA) Griffith Dent DeSantis Grothman DesJarlais Guthrie Handel Duffy Duncan (SC) Harper Duncan (TN) Harris Dunn Hartzler

Hensarling Herrera Beutler Hice, Jody B. Higgins (LA) Holding Hollingsworth Hudson Huizenga Hultgren Hunter Hurd Issa. Jenkins (KS) Jenkins (WV) Johnson (LA) Johnson (OH) Johnson Sam Jordan Joyce (OH) Kelly (MS) Kelly (PA) King (IA) King (NY) Kinzinger Knight Kustoff (TN) Labrador LaHood LaMalfa Lamborn Latta Lewis (MN) Long Love Lucas Luetkemeyer Marchant Marino Marshall Massie Mast McCarthy McCaul

Adams

Bass

Beatty

Bera

Beyer

Blum

F.

Bustos

Capuano

Carbajal

Cárdenas

Carson (IN)

Cartwright

Castor (FL)

Castro (TX)

Clark (MA)

Clarke (NY)

Chu, Judy

Cicilline

Clav

Cleaver

Connolly

Conyers

Courtney

Correa

Crist

Crowlev

Cuellar

Culberson

Cummings

Davis (CA)

DeFazio

DeGette

Delaney

DelBene

Demings

Deutch

Dingell

Doggett

DeSaulnier

Davis, Danny

Cohen

Bishop (GA)

Blumenauer

Boyle, Brendan

Bonamici

Brady (PA)

Butterfield

Brown (MD)

Brownley (CA)

Aguilar

Barragán

McHenry McKinley McMorris Rodgers McSallv Meadows Meehan Messer Mitchell Moolenaar Mooney (WV) Mullin Murphy (PA) Newhouse Noem Norman Nunes Olson Palazzo Palmer. Paulsen Pearce Perry Peterson Pittenger Poe (TX) Poliquin Ratcliffe Reed Reichert Renacci Rice (SC) Roby Roe (TN) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rohrabacher Rokita Roskam Rothfus Rouzer Royce (CA) Russell NOES-

McClintock

Scott, Austin Sensenbrenner Sessions Shimkus Shuster Simpson Smith (MO) Smith (NE) Smith (TX) Smucker Stefanik Stewart Stivers Taylor Tenney Thompson (PA) Thornberry Tipton Trott Turner Upton Valadao Wagner Walberg Walden Walker Walorski Walters, Mimi Weber (TX) Webster (FL) Wenstrup Westerman Williams Wilson (SC) Wittman Womack Woodall Yoder Yoho Young (IA) Zeldin Lawrence Lee

Levin

Donovan Doyle, Michael Ellison Engel Eshoo Espaillat Esty (CT) Evans Faso Blunt Rochester Fitzpatrick Foster Frankel (FL) Fudge Gabbard Gallego Garamendi Gonzalez (TX) Gottheimer Green, Al Green Gene Grijalva Gutiérrez Hanabusa Hastings Heck Higgins (NY) Himes Hoyer Huffman Jackson Lee Jayapal Jeffries Johnson (GA) Johnson, E. B. Jones Kaptur Katko Keating Kelly (IL) Kennedy Khanna Kihuen Kildee Kilmer Kind Krishnamoorthi Kuster (NH) Lance Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT)

Lewis (GA) Lieu, Ted Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren Lowenthal Lowey Lujan Grisham, M. Luján, Ben Ray Lynch MacArthur Maloney, Carolyn B Maloney, Sean Matsui McCollum McEachin McGovern McNerney Meeks Meng Moore Moulton Murphy (FL) Nadler Napolitano Neal Nolan Norcross O'Halleran O'Rourke Pallone Panetta Pascrell Pavne Pelosi Perlmutter Peters Pingree

Pocan

Polis

Price (NC)

Quigley

Raskin

Rice (NY)

Richmond

Rooney, Thomas

Rosen Shea-Porter Roybal-Allard Sherman Ruiz Sinema Ruppersberger Sires Slaughter Rush Ryan (OH) Smith (NJ) Sánchez Smith (WA) Sarbanes Soto Schakowsky Speier Schiff Suozzi Schneider Swalwell (CA) Schrader Takano Thompson (CA) Scott (VA) Thompson (MS) Scott, David Serrano Titus Sewell (AL) Tonko

Tsongas
Vargas
Vargas
Veasey
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Wilson (FL)
Yarmuth
Young (AK)

Torres

NOT VOTING-17

Black
Bridenstine
Garrett
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Graves (MO)
Cooper
Lawson (FL)
Costa
Loudermilk
DeLauro
Posev

Rooney, Francis Ros-Lehtinen Ross Scalise Tiberi

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR
The Acting CHAIR (during the vote).
There is 1 minute remaining.

\Box 1839

So the amendment was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Mr. COLE. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BANKS of Indiana) having assumed the chair, Mr. Collins of Georgia, Acting Chair of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3354) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL TRUCK DRIVER APPRECIATION WEEK

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a great career and technical education or skills-based education profession because I rise today during National Truck Driver Appreciation Week to celebrate America's 3.5 million professional truck drivers.

Trucking is the lifeblood of the American economy. More than 80 percent of the U.S. communities rely exclusively on truck drivers to deliver their goods and commodities, including the most remote towns and territories that aren't reachable by other modes of transportation.

One out of every 16 people working in the United States is a professional truck driver. The impact the trucking industry has on our economy is clear. Trucking brings roughly \$726 billion in revenue to the Nation.

Truck drivers are hardworking men and women who deliver critical goods like medicine, foods, building supplies, clothing, and more. These professionals safely move our economy each day. They deliver our goods safely, securely, and on time. They keep our highways safe.

Mr. Speaker, I celebrate the men and women who deliver America's goods and honor all professional truck drivers for their hard work and commitment in tackling one of our economy's most demanding and important jobs.

Trucking moves America forward.

□ 1845

NATIONAL FRANCHISING DAY

(Mr. RUSH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. RUSH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to invite my colleagues to join me in supporting my resolution expressing support for the establishment and designation of National Franchising Day.

Franchising is an important tool to bring jobs to communities around our country. The franchise business model, in fact, is the largest vocational training industry in America and is responsible for directly creating 7.6 million jobs and influencing the creation of 13.3 million jobs in the United States.

Franchising is an industry of entrepreneurs, many of whom are small businesses. These entrepreneurs have directly contributed \$674.3 billion in economic output to the U.S. economy, and the franchise system, as a whole, has generated \$1.6 trillion of economic input. In short, Mr. Speaker, it is clear how significant a role franchises and the people who operate them play in our economic landscape.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues support this bill. Franchising is one important tool to make the American Dream happen.

REMEMBERING WAYZATA OFFICER WILLIAM MATHEWS

(Mr. PAULSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, Minnesota and the entire Wayzata community are grieving after the death of Police Officer William Mathews this past Friday. He was responding to a 911 call to collect hazardous debris along the highway when he was tragically struck by a car and killed.

Officer Mathews was well-known for his service in the Wayzata and the Long Lake community where children often would come out to greet him as he drove through their neighborhood to say hello while he was on patrol. He served on police forces throughout the State of Minnesota for two decades in various capacities and was a 9-year veteran of the Wayzata police force. He had been a firearms instructor, a field training officer, and a reserve coordinator, and was in every way a true public servant.

But as dedicated a police officer as Officer Mathews was, he was an even

more devoted husband and father. We mourn with his wife, Shawn, and 7-year-old son, Wyatt.

Mr. Speaker, our law enforcement officers put their lives on the line every single day in more ways than we can imagine to keep us safe. Officer Mathews lost his life in service to his community, and he will not be forgotten.

DACA

(Ms. JAYAPAL asked and was given permission to address the House for $1\ \mathrm{minute.}$)

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my profound disappointment in the President's decision to repeal the DACA program.

This repeal is destroying the lives of nearly 800,000 young people. In my home State of Washington, there are over 17,000 Washingtonians who have been granted this deferred action status. One of them is Larissa Reza Garcia who came to the United States when she was 3 years old. Larissa works with underrepresented young people to connect them with opportunities to pursue their dreams within the education system. DREAMers like Larissa strengthen the fabric of our country.

Mr. Speaker, I also want to express my disappointment that the House will take up H.R. 3697 tomorrow, a bill that would promote racial profiling, expand mandatory detention, and criminalize immigrants without any due process protections.

We should be voting on the Dream Act, not legislation to criminalize immigrants. We have the votes to pass the Dream Act if it were brought to the floor, and I hope and call upon Speaker RYAN to have the courage to bring it to the floor.

CELEBRATING PATRIOT WEEK

(Mr. BISHOP of Michigan asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BISHOP of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, today I rise about something near and dear to my heart. It is Patriot Week, which is going on this week.

In 2009, while I served in the Michigan Senate, we became the first legislative body to recognize Patriot Week. Since then, five States and countless private organizations have participated in celebrating the great Americans and our founding documents that ensure the cause of liberty. Sadly, American history is no longer a priority for our schools, and, as a result, we are now raising a generation, for the most part, who have no understanding or appreciation for our country's brave Founding Fathers and our profoundly important founding documents.

That is why I introduced H. Con. Res. 12 which encourages schools, government agencies, and private employers to pay tribute to great Americans from George Washington to Martin Luther King, Jr., during Patriot Week.